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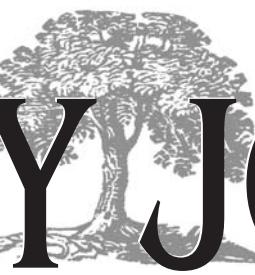
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UFD EXPLORERS ON THE JOB

City program provides firefighting training to volunteers ages 14-17



Fire Explorers (from left) Jordan Garrouette, Kellie Chapman and Marcus Ramirez discuss ladder deployment with Ukiah Fire Department Capt. John Corippo (third from left) Thursday night during training. MacLeod Pappidas/The Daily Journal

By BEN BROWN
The Daily Journal

They haul hoses and hook them up to fire hydrants, they unload gear and ride on fire engines and ambulances, but these seven teenagers are not firefighters, not yet anyway. They are members of the Ukiah Fire Department Explorers Program.

Explorers must be between the ages of 14 and 17. They volunteer their time at the firehouse to learn as many of the skills of firefighters and emergency medical technicians as they are allowed.

"We do a lot of hands-on stuff," said Kellie Chapman.

Like a fire crew, they have ranks. Chapman is one of three lieutenants; the other two are Marcus Ramirez and Miley Merritt.

They take their orders from Capt. Grant Armstrong, the oldest member of the Explorers.

Explorers do as much of the firefighting training and work as they can.

"As much as they'll let us," Ramirez said.

"We're allowed to do defensive, not offensive, firefighting," he said.

They haul fire hoses, hook them up to hydrants and unload and arrange tools and generally free-up firefighters for the more dangerous work of combating fires.

Explorers also ride along with UFD ambulance crews.

"I do a lot of medical stuff," Chapman said.

The Explorers also work to educate the public, sometimes running the county's



Sam Tatum and Kellie Chapman practice giving oxygen to fellow Fire Explorer Miley Merritt in one of the UFD ambulances.

"smoke room," a trailer fitted with smoke machines that the Explorers use to teach young children what to do if there is a fire in their home.

Although the program is thriving now, only two years ago it was threatened with extinction. Armstrong, Tucker Mattern, Chase McPhaul and Taylor Todd were the only remaining members of the Explorers, and Mattern, McPhaul and Todd were all preparing to leave the program as they

turned 18.

The four young men took the initiative and put together a presentation, touring county schools and encouraging students to join the Explorers.

"If it wasn't for their initiative, it would have been the end of the Explorer Program," said UFD Capt. John Corippo, who leads the program.

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County trying to aid laid-off lumber workers

The Daily Journal

Help is available and on the way to a significant group of currently unemployed workers and their families in northern Mendocino County, according to a statement issued Friday by the Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency.

Earlier this month, Harwood Products, a lumber company in Branscomb, was forced to lay off

more than 200 workers due to current housing market conditions. As a result of this massive lay-off, many families from the Willits, Laytonville, Covelo, Branscomb, Leggett and Fort Bragg areas have been affected.

Local nonprofit and governmental agencies have seen an increase in requests for help in the immediate fallout of this event. Many families are unable to meet basic needs such as housing, utili-

ties and food, and area homeless shelters and community resource centers are being impacted by the increase in requests for assistance, stated Dora Briley, the agency's back-up information/communications officer.

The agency made available to those impacted a list of services and contacts to assist them during this time:

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Arrest made in attack at Denny's

Four jumped in parking lot Jan. 13 after an incident inside the restaurant

The Daily Journal

One of the three suspects wanted in connection with a gang-related attack on four people outside a local restaurant earlier this month has been arrested by the Ukiah Police Department.

According to UPD reports, at around 4 a.m. Jan. 13, Michael Garcia, 19, Michael Torres, 18, a 16-year-old girl and an 11-year-old boy were attacked by three men outside the Denny's restaurant on Perkins Street.

Garcia told officers that, previous to the alleged assault, their attackers had laughed at the 11-year-old after he dropped his food while waiting in line to pay. Garcia told police he told the men to stop laughing because it was not funny, according to UPD reports.

Outside in the parking lot, Garcia said the three men "jumped" him and his friends. Garcia was punched in the face several times and thrown to the ground. The three men also kicked Garcia several times while flashing gang signs, according to police reports.

Garcia, Torres and the two juveniles fled in a car while the three suspects allegedly threw rocks at the car, breaking the front and rear windows and denting the body. One of the suspects opened the door and threw a rock into the car, hitting the 16-year-old girl in the head and causing an injury, according to police reports.

Detectives from the UPD Detectives Division investigated the case and identified one of the attackers as Juan Pablo Duran, 20, of Willits, a documented gang member, police said.

At 9:11 a.m. Thursday, UPD officers, accompanied by Mendocino County sheriff's deputies, served a search warrant on Duran's home at 651 Crest Drive in Willits and allegedly found evidence that suggested Duran was a member of the Norteño street gang, according to UPD reports.

Duran was arrested on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon, vandalism, child endangerment and participation in a criminal street gang and booked into the Mendocino County Jail.

Officers also arrested Jose Luis Duran, 21, on suspicion of resisting and delaying officers and booked him into county jail.

The case remains under investigation and anyone with information about it is asked to contact Detective Glenn Stark at 463-6260.

Sewage spill test results: Coast water OK

By BEN BROWN
The Daily Journal

More than a week after a sewage spill in Point Arena forced the closure of the Point Arena Pier, results of bacteriological tests show the water is not contaminated.

"They were all below normal standards," said Jacqueline Cummins, communication officer for Mendocino County Health and Human Services.

The potential contamination happened Jan. 16 when a blockage in a sewer line caused sewage to overflow a manhole at the intersection of Iverson Street and Main Street in Point Arena.

An unknown amount of sewage flowed out of the manhole and into Point Arena Creek, which empties into the ocean near the Point Arena Pier.

The Mendocino County Division of Environmental Health posted signs at the beach immediately after the spill, warning people not to enter the water until it could be tested.

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The world briefly

Stocks cap volatile week with sizable decline; Microsoft results help tech index

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street ended a tumultuous week with a sharp decline Friday, backtracking following two days of stunning gains as investors turned cautious and cashed in some of their winnings. The Dow Jones industrial average still managed to record its first weekly advance of 2008, even as it fell more than 170 points on the day.

The week, which started with a 465-point drop in the Dow soon after the market opened Tuesday, showed that the stock market is still fractious but may be going through a healthy process of trying to establish a bottom following weeks of sharp declines.

Investors had an initial burst of enthusiasm Friday, sending each of the major indexes up more than 1 percent, after upbeat profit reports from big names like Microsoft Corp. and word of a possible buyout of a troubled bond insurer. But the advance proved short-lived and the eventual decline wasn't surprising given that investors putting down bets ahead of the weekend were coming off two days of big gains — including 400 points in the Dow.

"People may be looking to take some profits off the table in this volatile market. And there's a lot of activity that's coming up next week," Scott Fullman, director of investment strategy for I. A. Englander & Co., said during the day's back-and-forth trading.

President Bush is scheduled to deliver his State of the Union address Monday. Meanwhile, the Federal Reserve is expected to hold its first regularly scheduled meeting of the year on Tuesday and Wednesday, and then the Labor Department will weigh in on the state of the job market on Friday.

Bush tells Congress it would be mistake to delay or derail stimulus package

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush urged Congress on Friday to quickly pass an economic stimulus package void of extraneous spending, saying only quick action will kickstart the sputtering economy. "I strongly believe it would be a mistake to delay or derail this bill," Bush said.

"I understand the desire to add provisions from both the right and the left," the president said, adding that would be an error.

The president made his remarks at a gathering with House Republicans attending a congressional retreat in White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., in the snow-covered Alleghenies.

The stimulus package will go to the House floor next week and later on to the Senate, where Democrats such as Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts promise to try to add elements such as extending unemployment benefits for workers whose benefits have run out, boost home heating subsidies and raise food stamp benefits.

Such ideas may be popular in the Senate, but the Bush administration has signaled that it's unlikely to welcome efforts to broaden the measure. And Bush continued to pressure the Senate to accept the deal, negotiated by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Republican leader John Boehner and Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson. House leaders are optimistic that their simply drawn measure — providing rebate checks to 117 million families and \$50 billion in incentives for businesses to invest in new plants and equipment — would prevent the Senate from making significant changes such as extending unemployment benefits.

Palestinians knock over new section of border wall and flood into Egypt

RAFAH, Gaza Strip (AP) — Hamas-backed militants driving bulldozers knocked down more fortifications Friday along the Gaza-Egypt border — a brazen challenge to Egyptian riot police, who abandoned their positions after attempting to reseal the frontier using human chains, dogs and water cannons.

Militants in black clothing, some of them masked, stood atop a bulldozer as it knocked down concrete slabs under the watchful eyes of Hamas security officials, who turned a blind eye and were later seen patrolling on the Egyptian side of the border.

SHERIFF'S REPORTS

The following were compiled from reports prepared by the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office:

BOOKED — David Whitney Weber, 26, of Oakland, was booked into jail on suspicion of possession of marijuana for sale and transportation of marijuana for sale by the Mendocino Major Crimes Task Force at 11:11 p.m. Thursday.

Those arrested by law enforcement officers are innocent until proven guilty. People reported as having been arrested may contact the Daily Journal once their case has been concluded so the results can be reported. Those who feel the information is in error should contact the appropriate agency. In the case of those arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of an intoxicant: all DUI cases reported by law enforcement agencies are reported by the newspaper. The Daily Journal makes no exceptions.

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Thousands of Palestinians flooded into Egypt, pushing through several openings as Egyptian troops retreated to their bases on the other side of the border. Palestinians positioned cranes next to the border and lifted crates of supplies into Gaza, including camels and cows. Hamas, after blasting open the border wall earlier in the week, offered further proof Friday that it simply cannot be ignored — driving home in no uncertain terms that a high price will be paid by anyone who seeks to shape Gaza's border arrangements without the militants' consent.

The day's events also underscored a great dilemma faced by Egypt: if it acts forcefully against the Gazans, it could anger its own people, who are sympathetic to the Palestinians' plight. But if it does nothing, it risks infiltration by Islamic militants.

Six powers propose new U.N. sanctions and restrictions on Iran

DAVOS, Switzerland (AP) — New U.N. sanctions against Iran would require countries to ban the entry of individuals involved in the Iranian nuclear program — a step up from a previous call for vigilance over their travel, according to a document obtained Friday. The latest round of penalties would also for the first time ban trade in equipment and technology that can be used in both civilian and nuclear programs, according to elements that would form the basis of a new U.N. resolution. It would call on countries to inspect cargo heading to or from Iran "provided there are reasonable grounds to believe" that prohibited goods are being transported, the document obtained by The Associated Press said.

The five veto-wielding members of the council — the U.S., Britain, France, China and Russia — along with Germany, agreed this week on the basic terms of the resolution. Diplomats have said the full, 15-nation Security Council will likely approve it next month.

Fire forces gamblers to flee Monte Carlo resort on Las Vegas Strip

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A fire on the roof of the 32-story Monte Carlo hotel-casino forced guests and gamblers to flee and sent flaming debris raining down, but the blaze eased after about an

hour and no serious injuries were reported.

The mid-morning fire quickly spread across the rooftop facade, made of a foam building material. Orange flames lapped at the hotel's name in large script.

"As we go out of the danger zone, we'll methodically check each floor," Clark County Fire Chief Steve Smith said in declaring the fire contained. "No rooms are burning."

Five people were hospitalized, including four who reported difficulty breathing and one with an unspecified minor injury, said John Wilson, general manager of ambulance companies American Medical Response and Medic West. "All of them were as a result of the evacuation," Wilson said, "not because of the fire itself."

Officials went door-to-door evacuating the hotel, said Gordon Absher, a spokesman for the resort's owner, MGM Mirage Inc.

Larry Wappel, 25, of San Pierre, Ind., said he and his brother, Eric Wappel, were in a room on the 30th floor when they heard housekeeping staff banging on doors and yelling "Fire, get out!" He said it took about 10 minutes to walk single-file down the stairs to get to ground level.

'Heath was a friend': Mary-Kate Olsen releases brief statement on Ledger death

NEW YORK (AP) — Mary-Kate Olsen says Heath Ledger was a "friend" in a brief statement released Friday, the same day police said they have no interest in interviewing the "Full House" star.

Released by her publicist, the statement is the first word from Olsen since the Australian-born actor's death. In its entirety, it reads: "Heath was a friend. His death is a tragic loss. My thoughts are with his family during this very difficult time."

Police said the masseuse who found Ledger's body Tuesday spent nine minutes making three calls to the Olsen twin before dialing 911 for help, then called Olsen a fourth time after paramedics arrived. At some point during the flurry of calls, Olsen, who was in California, summoned her personal security guards to the apartment to help, police said.

NYPD spokesman Paul Browne said investigators have no interest in talking to Olsen. They interviewed everyone at the scene, each of whom was cooperative. That eliminated "any need to interview Miss Olsen," he said.



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RELIGION BRIEFS

Church of Christ

The Church of Christ at Norgard lane will present a look at the subject of forgiveness, in a sermon entitled "Forgiveness! Must I?"

The study by Warren Beaman will be presented at the 11 a.m. service.

Meditation circle set for Sunday

The community is invited to attend a Sunday evening meditation circle at the City of 10,000 Buddhas. The circle is a weekly guided meditation, meant to aid participants in relaxing and connecting with their inner selves.

The meditation circles take place from 4 to 5 p.m., followed by a Dharma Circle at 5 p.m. The meditation circles are held at 4951 Bodhi Way, Ukiah. For more information, call 462-0939 or e-mail meditation@drba.org.

Calvary Way Church

Pastor Cal will preach on "The Origin of Death" Sunday morning. He will endeavor to uncover the biblical history of death, citing its origin to future extinction.

There will be prayer available for the sick afterward.

In the evening Pastor Cal will preach, "There is a Healer in the House Today," a message on the post-apostolic healing ministry left by Christ for the Church.

Services will be held at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Supervised nursery care is provided at all services, including Sunday School held at 9:45 a.m.

There are prayer meetings throughout the week -- Monday evenings at 7 p.m. for women and Fridays at 6 a.m. with breakfast following.

For more information, call 462-3345.

Redwood Valley Community Church

Pastor Kevin McDougall will continue his series from Nehemiah with a sermon entitled, "Renewing Our Vows." Services will be held 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. nursery and child care will be provided for both services as well as during Sunday school, which runs from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. The youth Sunday school, entitled "Sunday Morning Live," is led by Associate Pastor Justin Talso.

The AWANA club has its regular program for Pre-K through 6th grade on Tuesday evening, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.; this week's speaker is Boyd Shelton.

Women's ministry bible study will not meet this week.

Encounter Junior High Youth group will meet this week on Thursday, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Senior High youth group will hear a lesson on, "Habits" from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday; both groups meet in the youth room. Hume Lake sign-ups are due soon -- check with Pastoral intern Steven Van Pelt for forms and information.

A men's Bible study occurs every Thursday night at 7 p.m., in the church library classroom. Visitors are welcome to check it out. The new series continues focusing on the warnings given in the book of revelations, as well as reading through the Bible

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New book on anti-Semitism in postwar Poland sparks debate about Polish-Jewish relations

By RYAN LUCAS

The Associated Press

KIELCE, Poland -- The newly released Polish edition of a book by a Princeton University professor has dredged up painful memories here, forcing the country to confront a difficult chapter in its history: the deaths of Jews at the hands of Poles in the aftermath of World War II.

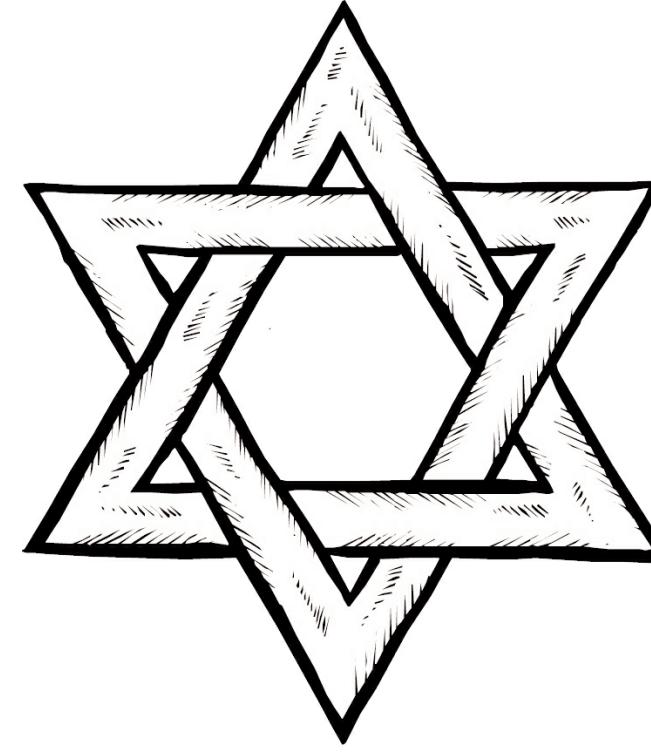
Jan T. Gross' "Fear: Anti-Semitism in Poland After Auschwitz" hit bookstores in Poland earlier this month, and has sparked a debate about anti-Semitism in this Eastern European country, which saw its Jewish population -- once Europe's largest -- nearly wiped out in the Holocaust.

The book was first released in the United States in 2006, where it was greeted with warm reviews. In Poland, however, the book has been sharply criticized in newspaper editorials and reviews and by historians accusing Gross of using inflammatory language and unfairly labeling all of postwar Polish society as anti-Semitic.

This week, Gross has headlined a pair of debates in front of news cameras and standing room only crowds in Kielce and Warsaw, underscoring how he has struck a nerve in Poland with "Fear." The discussion Monday in Kielce was broadcast live on national television.

Gross, who was born in Poland to a Jewish father and a gentile mother, left the country in 1968 during a wave of anti-Semitism sponsored by Poland's then-communist regime. He has said he wrote "Fear" as a Pole.

"I would like for my book to show people what an incredibly strong toxic poison anti-Semitism is in the general psychology of Poles, because it made us incapable of withstanding temptation," Gross



told a crowd of some 250 people who crammed into a cultural center in Kielce, a town of 200,000 inhabitants, some 110 miles south of Warsaw.

Gross' previous book, "Neighbors," also caused a sensation in Poland when it was published in 2001. That book told the story of Poles who burned their Jewish neighbors alive in a barn in northeastern Poland in July 1941, and spurred a lively national debate on Poland's relations with Jews.

In "Fear," Gross describes how many Jews who survived the Holocaust returned to their prewar homes only to face further persecution. He argues that Polish postwar anti-Semitism was driven by guilt over collusion with the Nazi plunder and murder of Jews during the Holocaust, which largely played out in Nazi-run death camps in occupied Poland.

Few in Poland argue with

the facts Gross presents in the book, but many dispute his interpretation -- even some Polish Jews who lived through the trauma of the war and postwar years.

Marek Edelman, the last surviving leader of the 1943 Warsaw ghetto uprising, has said the postwar violence against Jews was "not about anti-Semitism."

"Murdering Jews was pure banditry, and I wouldn't explain it as anti-Semitism," Edelman said in an interview with the *Gazeta Wyborcza* daily. "It was contempt for man, for human life, plain meanness. A bandit doesn't attack someone who is stronger, like military troops, but where he sees weakness."

Gross' accusations are especially painful for a country that suffered a brutal five-year Nazi occupation in which some six million Polish citizens -- half of them Jews -- were killed.

Some who attended the discussions complained that the suffering and death of the three million non-Jewish Poles, as well as the efforts of gentiles who tried to save Jews, received only scant international attention.

"People only talk about the bad side, but not about the good," said Piotr Koperski, a 37-year-old businessman who attended the Warsaw debate on Tuesday night. "This seems unfair to me, this lack of proportion."

Thousands of Poles risked their own lives and those of their families to save Jews. More than 6,000 Poles -- the most in any country -- have been named "Righteous Among the Nations," a title granted to non-Jews who helped Jews escape Nazi persecution.

But violent incidents of anti-Semitism did tarnish Poland's postwar history.

In Kielce, a frenzied mob brutally murdered 42 people, most of them Jews, on July 4, 1946, in an event that historians call Europe's last pogrom.

And Gross' appearance in Kielce, in front of an emotionally charged public, provoked mixed reactions from the crowd.

Shouts of "Lies! Lies!" from an older man in the audience occasionally interrupted the discussion.

Robert Huta, an economist and Kielce native who attended the debate, said that "nobody is denying the crimes he (Gross) describes -- we know they happened."

But, he added, "Among the victims that he names, a lot of them were Jews, sure, but maybe wearing the uniforms of the NKVD, the Soviet secret security force."

Mariusz Jedruszczak, a 44-year-old computer technician

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Faith Directory



APOSTLES EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELS): Pastor Kent Dethlefsen; Phone 462-8201; Sunday worship: 9:30 am; Sunday School: 10:30 am (Sept. thru May); Communion 3rd Sunday of the month. Church is located at 710 South State Street, (Washington Mutual Bank Plaza) in Ukiah. For more info go to www.ukiahlutheran.org

ASSEMBLY OF GOD: Pastor Lehman Myatt; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Family Night, 7 p.m. Church is located at 395 N. Barnes St.; 468-1468.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD, REDWOOD VALLEY: Reverend Kim Harvey, Senior Pastor; Sunday worship begins at 10 a.m., with kids' church available at that time. Nursery available for children under 5. Wednesday is Family Night, with classes for teens, and children ages 4-12 beginning at 7 p.m. The adults will participate in an in-depth Bible Study. For more information 485-7684.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOPLAND: Fellowship 10:00am; Church service 10:30-11:30am; Guest Speakers, Hispanic Service 12:00-2:00pm. 51 Hwy 175, Hopland, CA.

FIRST CHRISTIAN (Disciples of Christ & United Church of Christ): An Open and Affirming Congregation. Sunday worship is 11:00. Adult Bible Study before worship beginning at 9:45. We celebrate Communion at the Lord's Table each Sunday. Our Table is an open table and all are welcome to share with us. 140 N. Spring Street. Pastor Cherie Marckx. Phone: 462-5830. www.firstchristianchurchukiah.com

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST (CHRISTIAN SCIENCE): We welcome you to visit our services and our reading Room. Our Sunday service is at 10 a.m., with Sunday school at the same time for students to age 20. Our Wednesday meeting is at 7:30 p.m. and includes a time for sharing. The Reading Room is open to everyone on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. 204 S Oak St., 462-6155, eschurch@pacific.net.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN: Pastor Sherry Budke, Assoc. Pastor Nick Hladek. Are you looking for a church home where you can be nurtured in faith, a safe haven where you can heal from your hurts, a welcoming forum where you can explore who this Jesus person is anyway? We welcome all to our Sunday and Wednesday events. Sundays: 9:00am; Adult Education and Cristo es el Camino (en español); 10am: Worship Celebration (nursery available) and fun, safe and relevant education programs for children 3 years thru Jr. High. Coffee fellowship follows Worship Celebration. Wednesday Church Family Night: 5:30pm - Dinner, 6:30pm - Informal Worship, 7:00pm Small Groups & Youth Group (Jr. & Sr. High). 468-9235. www.fpcukiah.org

GRACE LUTHERAN (ELCA): Pastor Keith Miller. Our family would like to meet your family. Please join us for worship conveniently offered at 8:30am with more traditional music and 10:30 am with more contemporary music and Praise Team every Sunday morning. Supervised nursery care is available at both services and we are fully handicapped accessible. Weekly activities include: Youth groups, adult bible groups, service opportunities and much more. The church is located at 200 Wabash Ave., one block west of the airport. Call 462-7795 for more information or visit our web site: www.gracelutheranukiah.com

RELIGIOUS SCIENCE CENTER FOR POSITIVE LIVING: Minister Dr. Candice Becket; Sunday Power Service 9:00-9:30 a.m., Meditation Service 10:00-10:15 a.m., Celebration Service and Youth Church 10:30 a.m., Teen Youth Group 6:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday Healing Circle 6:30 p.m. A new way to think, a better way to live. All welcome. Located at 741 S. Oak St., Ukiah 462-3564.

HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH: Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10 a.m. First and third Sundays - Holy Eucharist. Sunday Services are morning prayer. Nursery care is available. Wednesdays: 10 a.m. morning prayer. All are welcome. The church is located at 640 S. Orchard Avenue, next to the DMV. For information: 462-8042 or holysainttrinity@pacific.net

KOL HaEMEK (Mendocino County Inland Jewish Community): Shabbat celebrated first and third Friday evening of every month at our shul, on West Rd. in Redwood Valley, next to Eagle Peak Middle School. Join us also for annual cycle of Jewish holiday observances, youth education and activities, film series, social justice commitments. For information, call 468-4536.

NAZARENE CHURCH: Ukiah Valley First Church of the Nazarene at 604 Jones Street welcomes you to be a part of our loving faith community! Sunday morning worship at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Children's and Teen's Bible Ministry at 6:30 p.m. Pastor Jody Hampton. 462-4896

NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH: (An Evangelical Free Church): You are invited to join us at our contemporary, reverent worship service Sunday at 9:30 am.

Children will be invited to participate in Children's Church and a Nursery is provided. Classes for all ages meet at 11:00 am. Opportunities for children, youth, and adults are available during the week.

Our church is located at 750 Yosemite Drive (behind Burger King); phone 468-9251 or newlife@sonic.net for more information.

NEW LIFE UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH 266 East Smith Street, Ukiah, CA. Pastor David Moore. 707-462-3496. Thursday night bible study @ 7:30. Sunday morning Sunday school @ 10:00. Morning Worship @ 11:00.

POTTER VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH: Pastor Tony Arndt. Sunday School, 9:45a.m.; Worship Service, 11:00a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00p.m. 10501 Main St., Potter Valley, CA 95469. 743-1598

REDWOOD VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH Sr. Pastor Kevin McDougall; Youth Pastor Justin Talso; Worship Services at 8:30 & 11:00a.m.; Sunday School for all ages, 9:45a.m. Sr. High youth group Wednesday, 7:00-9:00p.m.; Jr. High Youth group Thursday, 6:30-8:30p.m.; College/Career, Sunday 7:00p.m.; Women's Bible Study, Wednesday, 9:45 a.m. and Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Men's Ministry small groups meet at varying times a week; Adult Home Bible Study's meet Wednesday and Thursday. Church is located at 951 School Way, Redwood Valley; 485-8541

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UNITED METHODIST: Please join us for worship at 10 am. Childcare and Sunday School every Sunday morning. Weekly activities include: Youth Group, Adult Small Group, outreach and service opportunities, and Bible Study. Call 462-3360 for more information or visit our website: www.ukiahumc.org

UNITY OF UKIAH: Gina Scott, Spiritual Leader; Wednesday meditation 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; Sunday meditation 10:00 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10:30 a.m. Refreshments to follow. Church is located at 321 N. Bush St.;

Sweet land of liberty



NAT HENTOFF

Real torture probe now a must

Attorney General Michael Mukasey has appointed a widely respected 25-year veteran of the Justice Department, John Durham, to conduct a criminal investigation into the CIA's destruction of videos showing the waterboarding and other harshly "coercive" abuses of a key terrorist. Durham will report to a deputy attorney general who then reports to Mukasey -- and thereby will not be autonomous.

Accordingly, when Durham seeks the power to go as high as necessary to find the ultimate source for the CIA to engage in torture (as waterboarding is defined in our law), the result will be -- as ACLU legal counsel Christopher Anders told Reuters (Jan. 6) -- that "Mukasey has kept Durham on a leash."

With approval of "the leash," The Wall Street Journal, in an editorial (Jan. 4) notes that, "Mr. Durham will at least have some political supervision as he assesses whether genuine crimes were committed." But this investigation's mission IS to dig into the thicket of Justice Department political involvement in the origins of these crimes -- and name those accountable.

Unintentionally, a New York Sun editorial (Jan. 3) opposing the appointment of a fully independent counsel reveals why Mukasey acted to keep the investigation well within the Justice Department family. Durham, says the Sun, "will report to the deputy attorney general, as do all United States attorneys in the ordinary course. The deputy attorney general reports to Mr. Mukasey, who reports to President Bush."

But it was Bush who, on Feb. 7, 2002, issued an Executive Order that Common Article 3 of the Geneva Conventions, signed by this country and prohibiting "cruel treatment and torture" of detainees, does not apply to captured (or suspected) members of Al Qaeda. Moreover, on July 20, 2007, in another Executive Order, he authorized the continuation of the CIA program of secret detention and the coercive interrogation included in the destroyed CIA videotapes.

Therefore, shouldn't a thorough, independent investigation of those tapes lead to a subpoena of the president to testify on his justification in law for those Executive Orders? Would Mukasey allow Durham to send that subpoena?

The attorney general already supports the president's special wartime authority in certain national security matters -- as when Mukasey told an American Bar Association panel in December he agrees with Bush that the telecommunications companies that cooperated with the National Security Agency's lawless, warrantless spying on our phone calls should be exempted from prosecution. But there is a way to provide credibility to a criminal investigation of the destroyed CIA tapes in full context. Constitutional lawyer Bruce Fein, who served in the Reagan Justice Department and is chairman of the American Freedom Agenda, tells me:

"The flaw in the current arrangements (by which Durham will conduct the investigation) is that the attorney general is still entrusted with determining whether to invoke state secrets or executive privilege to withhold critical evidence from the prosecutor. It would be like President Nixon determining what evidence to give Archibald Cox or Leon Jaworski investigating Watergate."

"That is why," Bruce Fein continues, "I have called for Congress to create a new version of the lapsed independent counsel statute that would apply to situations when the executive branch is investigating itself, and a clear conflict of political interest arises."

"This new statute would make the independent counsel appointed by a three-judge panel as before. That independent counsel could not be dismissed except for egregious misbehavior, and any dismissal would be subject to judicial review."

Fein then gets to another vital provision that would indeed ensure this criminal investigation would be independent. "Most important," he says, "the independent counsel would enjoy authority to challenge in federal courts any state secrets privilege -- or executive privilege -- claim interposed by the president or the attorney general to block access to relevant information."

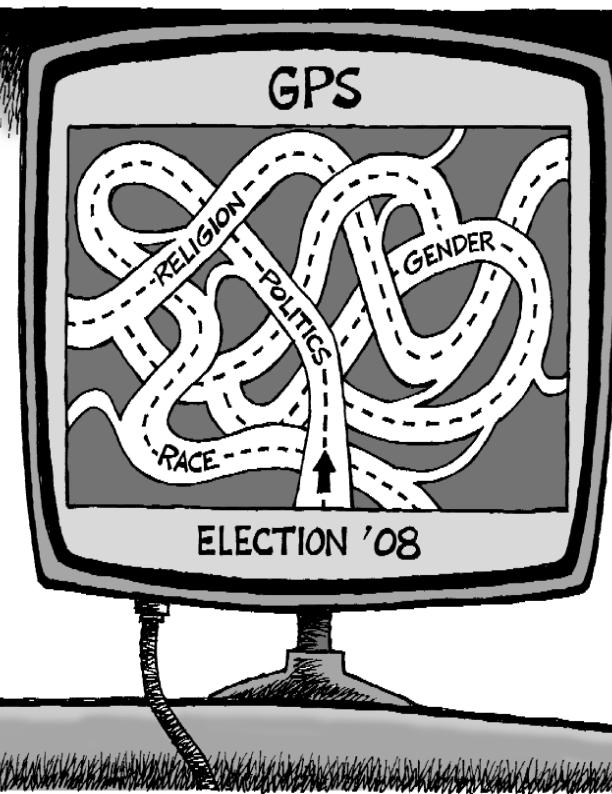
The independent counsel could be made permanent for the general category of executive branch conflict of political interest cases -- or be special for the videotape interrogation case alone. And the statute should also make it a crime for the executive branch to retaliate or demote any government official cooperating with the investigation."

Sen. John McCain strongly objects to torture and certainly believes in the separation of powers. He could introduce a bill creating this statute that would really get to the bottom -- and the top -- of the CIA's destruction of those videotapes, leading to a probe of the administration's other practices of torture.

Nat Hentoff is a nationally renowned authority on the First Amendment and the Bill of Rights.

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RECALCULATING...



Letters from our readers

Keep our county safe

To the Editor:

I recently met at the Ukiah Gun Club for a gun permit renewal. I was surprised to see so many people that will take the time and effort to be legal and to understand the law. The instructors are very good at what they do, and are easy to follow.

Anyone wanting a permit for a concealed gun will be checked by the Sheriff's office, and also a thorough check into their background by the federal government. If you do not qualify for a permit you will not get one. There are many rules to follow, things that most people do not think of. To get a driving license you must follow the rules or get a license; it is the same for guns.

In Mendocino County many people live in country areas; if you feel a little unsafe while driving or living in these areas, you might like to have some kind of protection for you and your family. But you would feel better if you knew you were legal. If you can pass the checks, then Mendocino County will give you a chance.

The Sheriff's office can give you all the information you need and there are good instructors for guns and rules in this country. If you cannot pass the check-ups you would not be able to buy a gun anyway.

For people like myself, who have permits, it would be smart to check the new rules at once a year. There always some new ones. Not knowing the law is no excuse.

More legal guns in our area would mean there are fewer people carrying guns that are not legal. The gun dealers do a good job of not selling guns to people that do not qualify. When you carry a gun, it is for self protection for you and your loved ones, but it is common sense to be legal, so let's do it the right way. Help to keep Mendocino County a safe place to live and do business.

Jim Donaghy
Redwood Valley

UDJ should see red flags

To the Editor:

Just in time for peak weight loss season, the UDJ sponsors a full-page advertisement for a miracle diet pill (Jan. 14), Apatrim, claiming dieters can "lose weight without adding exercise or diets."

Red Flag No. 1: the ad hides behind the smoke and mirrors of looking like a regular

lar news page as well as touting to be from the Universal Media Syndicate, a Universal Press Syndicate wannabe.

A little delving on the internet shows the "amazing compound" in this pill to be an extract from a cactus used to suppress appetite by indigenous tribesmen. But how does it work for weight loss?

Red Flag No. 2: The so-called clinical trial referenced in the ad involved only 26 participants over 4 weeks, whereas a serious clinical trial would involve thousands of participants tracked over at least a year.

Red Flag No. 3: The ad creates a "gotta have it now" frenzy to its audience by suggesting limited supplies, only being able to buy the product from the company directly, and calling the 800 number on a certain day depending on one's location. Truth is, another company has had a similar product for over a year for almost half the price of this one. To add insult to injury, the study was sponsored by the very same company! In discovering this faux pas, the makers of the original diet pill has sued the makers of Apatrim for a myriad of claims, the least of which is taking credit for their product as well as using results of a study that was not their own.

How can this type of advertising be allowed? The FDA is not allowed to regulate these kinds of products (like the entire supplement industry) the same way they do for legitimate pharmaceutical products, so unless you can see the red flags, this preying on dieting victims will prevail.

It is my hope that our local paper will take a stand and refuse to accept these full-page false advertisements. About one-third of Americans are obese. Annually we spend about \$93 billion treating obesity related diseases and spend another \$35 billion on weight loss products. It is products and advertisements like this one that serve solely to fuel the obesity epidemic. Do the right thing UDJ and not succumb to accepting this type of propaganda for your publication. Sure, it may provide revenue for the paper, but at a cost to many of your readers.

Sharon Stewart
Ukiah

UDJ publisher's response: We turn down advertising which we suspect of being illegal, and some that are legal; like handguns, and liquor ads. We are a responsible business that supports our community in numerous ways, and we will consider adding diet pill advertising to that list.

WHERE TO WRITE

President George Bush: The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C. 20500; (202) 456-1111, FAX (202)456-2461.

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Sen. Barbara Boxer: 112 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510; (202)224-3553; San Francisco, (415) 403-0100 FAX (415) 956-6701

Sen. Dianne Feinstein: 331 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510. (202)224-3841 FAX (202) 228-3954; San Francisco (415) 393-0707; senator@feinstein.senate.gov

Congressman Mike Thompson: 1st District, 231 Cannon Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515. (202) 225-3311; FAX (202)225-4335. Fort Bragg district office, 430 N. Franklin St., PO Box 2208, Fort Bragg 95437; 962-0933, FAX 962-0934; www.house.gov/write rep

Assemblywoman Patty Berg:

State Assembly District 1, Capitol, Rm. 4146, Sacramento, 95814. (916) 319-2001; Berg's Ukiah field representative is Ruth Valenzuela. Ukiah office located at 311 N. State St, Ukiah, 95482, 463-5770. The office's fax number is 463-5773. For email go to web site: assembly.ca.gov/Berg

Senator Pat Wiggins: State Senate District 2, Capitol Building, Room 5100, Sacramento, 95814. (916) 445-3375 Email: senator.wiggins@sen.ca.gov. In Ukiah: Kathy Kelley at 200 S. School St, 468-8914, email: kathy.kelley@sen.ca.gov

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California focus



TOM ELIAS

California could be key to nominations

It's pretty certain that the main reason Californians will vote next month in their earliest-ever primary election is that incumbent state legislators wanted to make sure they got Proposition 93 onto a ballot well before the March filing deadlines for the regular June primary for state offices.

But they could theoretically have picked a January Tuesday for the vote on that measure, which would allow more than half today's lawmakers to stay in office years longer than the current term limits law would allow. They could even have scheduled the vote for a different day of the week.

But they settled on Feb. 5 chiefly because the 2004 Republican National Convention adopted rules barring almost all states from choosing presidential convention delegates before that date.

The idea was to put a stop to leapfrogging state primaries and caucuses, which saw Iowa this month hold the earliest caucuses in history and states like Michigan, Florida, South Carolina and Wyoming move their votes into January once California selected Feb. 5. In this devil-take-the-hindmost race for perceived national influence, some of those states may now be big losers, leaving California a big winner.

For once those other states opted to move up, rather than gain influence, they began to lose delegates. Democratic candidates are avoiding Florida because of its move to Jan. 29. The party may strip the state of all its convention delegates. That's costing the state's hotels and media millions of campaign dollars they usually reap every four years.

Meanwhile, the Republican National Committee voted in November to cut the convention delegations of the moved-up states by half. In short, Republican primary votes in Michigan count for only half as much this year as they usually do. The same for GOP votes in Wyoming, where former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney won local caucuses handily.

All of which leaves California holding a bigger share than ever of delegates to both party conventions.

This gives a distinct advantage to candidates like former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, who deliberately pursued a big-state strategy emphasizing wins here and in New York, Texas and Illinois over places like Wyoming, even before it was penalized.

It hurts former Romney, the favorite to win in Michigan, where his father was governor. He can no longer expect to be riding a significant delegate tide when California's votes are cast on Feb. 5 - or somewhat earlier for the estimated 44 percent cast by absentee ballot.

California's 173 Republican convention votes will now make up 7.3 percent of the total, about a 10 percent increase in their national influence. (Even though this state makes up more than 10 percent of the national population, Republicans traditionally take delegates away from states that have voted Democratic in prior elections, figuring GOP states should have greater influence in choosing their party's nominees. Because California has gone Democratic in the last four elections, the state's Republicans lost dozens of delegate slots.)

While Florida and Michigan have not seen much of the major candidates during the fall and winter campaign season, they've all spent significant time here.

That benefits hotels, restaurants, caterers, banner-makers, radio and television stations and newspapers.

It also should give California voters a greater than ever incentive to turn out. For this state has had virtually no influence over presidential nominations since 1972, with the decisions made in far smaller states that always voted earlier.

As long as Ronald Reagan was a prospective or actual candidate, state Republicans never wanted to move the primary into winter or early spring because the late vote allowed Reagan to spend his campaign time in the early states, secure that he would always own the California delegation, which was larger in his era because the state back then consistently landed in the Republican column.

Later, the GOP went along with moving the primary into March, but it was leapfrogged by other states and the move didn't accomplish much.

But the tables are turned this year. There's a strong possibility that no one candidate in either major party will dominate all the states voting before Feb. 5, which means anyone who can win pluralities in most California congressional districts would get a huge bump in both delegate count and momentum.

So at long last, it appears the tail will stop wagging the dog and America's largest state will get a large say in choosing America's leadership. For which Californians owe a big vote of thanks to the excessive greed and pride of politicians in the states that got burned while trying to beat everyone else to the punch.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Ukiah Food Bank announces new food bank hours

The Ukiah Community Center Food Bank announces that their new hours of operation began Jan. 22.

Mondays will be distribution days, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Tuesdays will be Senior Days, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wednesdays will be distribution days, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.; on Thursdays, they will be closed, though emergency food will be available;

and Fridays will be distribution days, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Food Bank will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays. Emergency bags will be available during UCC business hours Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call the food bank at 463-2409 or 462-8879, and ask for Dayle.

Ukiah Literacy Alliance tutor training planned

The Ukiah Literacy Alliance is planning to hold a tutor training class on Saturday, Feb. 23 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The deadline to sign up is Feb. 9, and those interested are asked to call 463-4155 and leave a message to get more information. Bilingual Spanish-speaking tutors are especially needed. Volunteers must be 18 or older.

New health and education series planned at the Senior Center

The Ukiah Senior Center is starting a new series of programs which will encompass a wide variety of subjects. Local community professionals, practitioners and individuals will provide presentations in mini workshops or lectures which will be open to citizens of all ages.

Some of the topics planned are: Health (Acupuncture, Holistic and General Health tips); How to Protect Yourself on the Web; Lifestyles; Finances/ Investments; Organizations and Community Resources such as Hospice, HICAP, Project Sanctuary; Cooking Classes; Identity Theft; Fire & security Tips; Simple First Aid (recognizing strokes, etc., what to do); Government Officials; a Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care workshop where the public could actually complete the health care directive document during the session; Business involving developing a web site; and Veteran panels or discussions.

The series is designed to stimulate interest in community service, provide helpful advice and instruction, educate and increase awareness in prevention and coping with physical ailments and to benefit the community at large.

For more information on the upcoming programs or to volunteer your services to conduct a presentation, contact Betty McGlade at 467-0960.

Runners to meet on Sunday mornings

A group of runners, including The North Coast Striders, will meet every Sunday at 8 a.m., in front of the tennis courts on Low Gap Road, across from Ukiah High School. All runners and walkers are invited to attend.

For more information, call Rodger at 468-9569.

Mendocino County Veterans Service Office seeking volunteer drivers

The Veterans' Service Office in Ukiah is looking for volunteer drivers to drive veterans from Ukiah to the Veterans Medical Center in San Francisco. A regular California drivers' license is required. This is an opportunity to get to know veterans in the community and to give something back to those who have served.

Their office is looking for someone who is willing to drive one day a week. For more information, call their office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. any weekday.

United Way requests funding proposals

As part of the United Way Community Impact Agenda, United Way of Sonoma-Mendocino-Lake is requesting funding proposals from all agencies in Sonoma, Mendocino, and Lake Counties providing services in four Focused Funding areas:

- After-school and summer programs focused on youth in grades four through eight;
- Parenting and social-skills training for parents;
- Emergency food and shelter, transitional and permanent supportive housing programs; and
- Senior food and mental-health programs.

Religion Briefs

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in 52 weeks.

The February Men's Retreat at Hartstone Camp in Potter Valley on Feb. 8 and 9 is rapidly approaching. Call the church office for information, or to register. This year's theme is 'Fishing,' and the speaker will be Danny Wallen, founder of Soulpraxis Ministries. More information about Soulpraxis Ministries can be found at their web site, <http://www.soulpraxis.org>.

First Baptist Church

Pastor Dennis Beatty will preach on "Missiles" during the Sunday morning worship service at First Baptist Church. His sermon for the 10:50 a.m. service will be based on Ephesians 6:1-17. Believers Baptism by immersion will be a highlight of the Sunday Service.

The Joyful Noise will visit Ukiah care homes on Sunday afternoon, with Glenn Hinkoki playing the guitar as they sing songs and hymns to the residents.

Poland

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from Kielce, on the other hand, commanded Gross for forcing Poles to confront their killing of Jews after the war.

"I would like for us Poles to say 'we're sorry' so we can finally close this chapter and let it be a part of history and not the present," he said.

"The book, I think, signals the start of a long road, with us standing next to each other as brothers," Jedruszak added. "Jews need Christians, and Christians need Jews."

Contact Chanda Zirkelbach, Vice President of Community Impact at 528-4485 ext. 110 or via e-mail at chanda.zirkelbach@uwsml.org for more information and to learn how to access their online-application web site.

There will be an applicant orientation Feb. 1, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Santa Rosa Transit Department Training Room 103, located at 45 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa.

Temporary Assistance Program seeking winter-weight clothing

The Temporary Assistance Program at the Ukiah Community Center, which provides personal care items like shampoo, blankets, tents and clothes to those in need, is no longer accepting regular clothing donations.

The response this year has been incredible, with clothing donations coming in regularly. But even with this year's excellent response, the Temporary Assistance Program is still looking for winter coats, blankets, sleeping bags and tents.

Those interested in providing donations to the Temporary Assistance Program can do so by contacting Veronica Moynahan at 462-8879, or by visiting the Ukiah Community Center at 888 N. State St. during regular business hours. The UCC is open from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. The UCC is open from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Thursdays.

Mendocino county high school seniors offered scholarship

The Foundation for Medical Care of Mendocino/Lake Counties to offer a scholarship to Mendocino County High School Seniors, for class of 2008.

Dr. Robert Rushton, President of the Foundation, is pleased to announce this year's 2008 Scholarship fund of \$5,000 will be offered to a Mendocino County High School Senior. The Scholarship is offered to a graduating student who is seeking a career in medicine, i.e., becoming a physician, nurse and/or other related health care fields. To be eligible, students must have proof of enrollment into an academic institution.

Last year, the Foundation Scholarship was awarded to Kathryn King, of Kelseyville High School. The Foundation has also awarded a \$5,000 Scholarship to the Mendocino Community College Nursing Program. The Nursing Scholarship will be administered by the Mendocino College Registered Nursing Program.

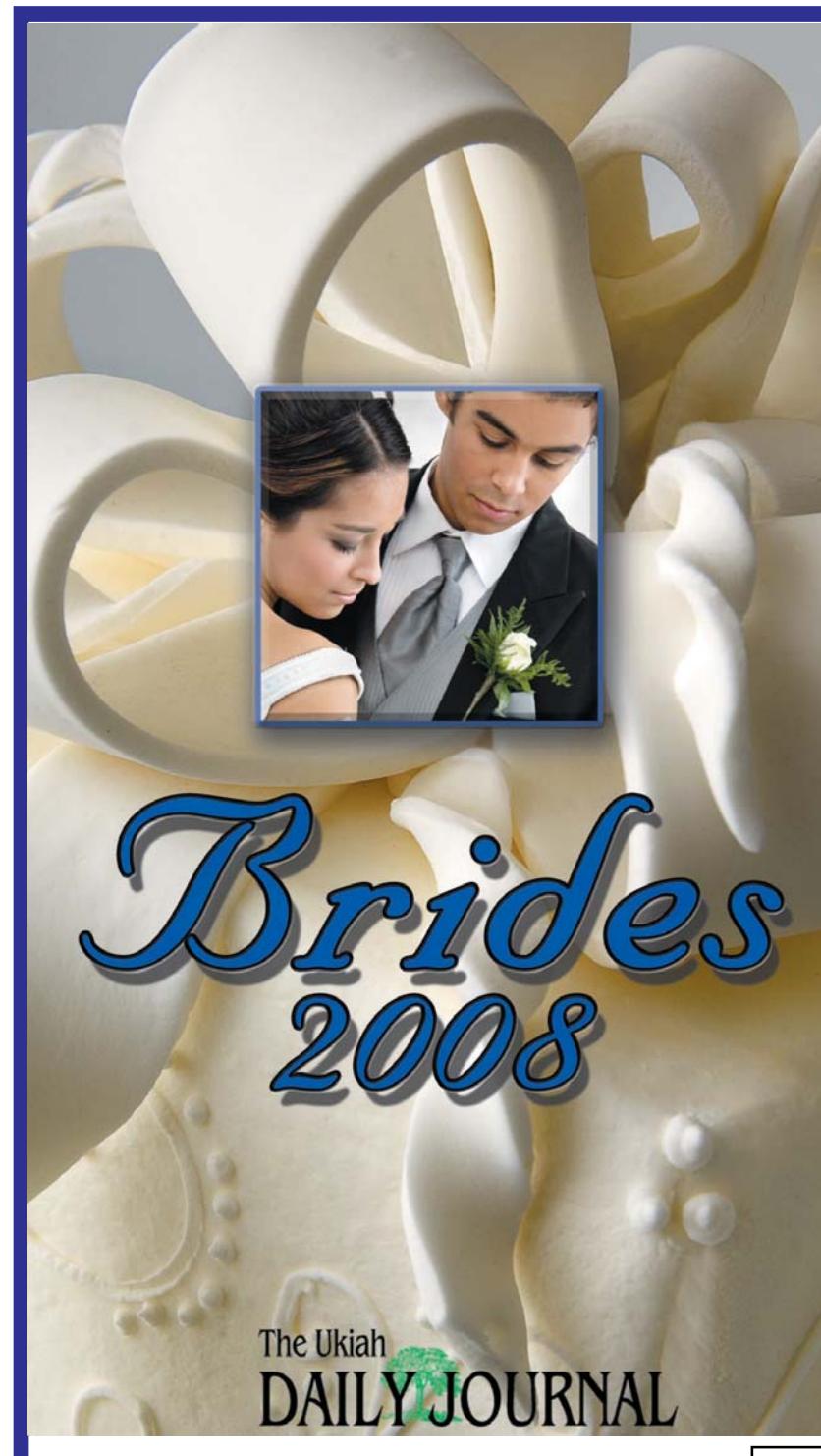
Applications have been mailed to all High Schools in Mendocino County. The deadline for the application is May 1. For more information call Robert L. Faulk, Executive Director of the Foundation for Medical Care at 462-7607, or fax 462-1206, e-mail, mendolake_medsoc@yahoo.com. All interested students must be recommended by a High School academic adviser, counselor, teacher or principal.

City of Fort Bragg announces ADA service availability

It is the policy of the City of Fort Bragg to offer its public programs, services and meetings in a manner that is readily accessible to everyone, including those with disabilities.

Those who need assistance to ensure full participation can contact the City Clerk at 961-2823. Notification 48 hours in advance of any need for assistance will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility.

The Council Chamber is equipped with a Recoton Wireless Stereo Headphone unit for use by the hearing impaired. The unit operates in conjunction with the Chamber's sound system.



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The Recoton Wireless Headphone unit is available upon request from the City Clerk for personal use during the Council meetings.

This notice is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR, 35.102-35.104 ADA Title II).

Hospice of Ukiah thrift store seeking dedicated volunteers

The Hospice of Ukiah thrift store is looking for members of the community who would wish to volunteer a couple of hours a week. They have a variety of tasks for the volunteers.

For more information, call 462-3141, or visit the Thrift Store at 724 N. State St., Ukiah.

Grange pancake breakfast set for this Sunday Jan. 27

The Little Lake Grange #670 will hold a pancake breakfast on Jan. 27, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. They are serving pancakes, sausage, bacon, juice, coffee or tea for \$5. The Little Lake Grange is located at 291 School Street in Willits. For more information, call the Grange at 459-9716.

California Retired Teachers Association to meet on Jan. 28

California Retired Teachers Association, Area 1, Mendocino Division #55, is scheduled to hold its next meeting on Monday, Jan. 28, at the Willits Senior Center, 1502 Baechtel Road, at 11:30 a.m. for socializing.

Lunch will be served at noon for \$10, with dessert extra. The menu consists of Swedish meatballs, noodles, peas, carrot salad, biscuit, and Mandarin oranges.

Their featured guest will be Jean Glentzer, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, who will speak on the topic "Status of Youth."

Reservations are due by Jan. 24, and can be made by phoning Marston Gillette at 462-9486.

Ukiah Emblem Club Bunko Party set for Monday, Jan. 28

The Ukiah Emblem Club #148 will hold a bunko party on Monday, Jan. 28, at the Ukiah Elks Lodge. The bunko party will be held at 6:30 p.m., with an entry fee of \$10, either paid in advance or at the door.

For more information, or to RSVP, call Jan Tipton at 462-0004, or Marie at 468-1401. The Ukiah Elks Lodge is located at 1200 Hastings Road, Ukiah. Reservations are suggested but not required.

'Escape from Affluenza' to show on Monday, Jan. 28

The Church and Society Committee the Ukiah Methodist Church, along with the Greater Ukiah Localization Project present the film "Escape From Affluenza," on Monday, Jan. 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room of the Ukiah Methodist Church, 270 North Pine Street.

This one-hour free film, hosted by Wanda Urbanska, co-author of "Simple Living," is the solution-oriented sequel to the documentary "Affluenza" and shows how some Americans are calling a halt to keeping up with the Joneses and abandoning the consumer chase. It will provide practical solutions to the problem of 'Affluenza.'

The showing will be free to the public, with donations welcomed. For more information, call Trudy at 468-8785.

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LOCAL CALENDAR

This week:

- TODAY Pomolita 8th grade boys basketball tournament in Ukiah. Friday's games begin at 3 p.m. while Saturday's begin at 9 a.m. and last all day.
- TODAY, UHS boys varsity wrestling in Wendy's Invitational @ 9 a.m.
- TODAY, UHS boys basketball vs. Maria Carrillo @ Mendo, 4:30, 6 & 7:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY DIGEST

Mendo-Lake Spikers Serve-A-Thon

The Mendo-Lake Spikers Volleyball Club invites members of the community to support areas girls, ages 10-18, in our annual Serve-A-Thon on Jan. 28th. Players are seeking pledges to raise money for the upcoming AAU club volleyball season. Pledges may be given per successful serve (out of 20 attempts) or simply for a flat donation. Any person or business interested in sponsoring a player or making a donation to our program may contact Ori Polkinghorne at opolky@hotmail.com or 463-0451. Mendo-Lake Spikers VBC is in its 4th year of existence, providing area girls with the opportunity to learn, train, and compete in the great game of volleyball.

Attention BAM Wrestlers:

BAM Wrestling Club has begun practice. Practice is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. in the wrestling room at Ukiah High School. Sign-ups continue through the month of January each night at practice. The cost is \$50.00 per wrestler or \$40.00 each for sibling.

UHS Boosters Meeting

The UHS Boosters Meeting will be held Monday, January, 28th at 5:30 p.m. in the Career Center, building A.

If you would like to help with the Fall 2008 Fundraiser then please attend the meeting. There will be organizing and strategizing done at the meeting. All parents and community members welcome. Contact Deni Lee at 468-3736 for further information.

2008 Girls Youth Softball League

Registration for the 2008 girls youth softball league is now open at the City of Ukiah. Participants may register individually and will be placed on teams according to their grade level.

The following divisions will be utilized: K-2 in tee-ball, grades 3-4 in pitching machine, grades 5&6 together and grades 7-12.

League play begins in early April and will run through early June. Cost is \$50 per player and the deadline is March 7, 2008. Forms are available at the City of Ukiah office (411 West Clay) and online at www.cityofukiah.com. For more info call 463-6714.

Girls 6-on-6 Soccer League

Registration for the 2008 girls 6-on-6 youth soccer league is currently open and running through March 28th. Teams will consist of girls ages 13 through 19. The registration fee is \$200 per team while player fees of \$20 will be collected at the first games with team rosters. Teams will be scheduled for 12 games (6 double-headers) on Sundays from late April through early June.

For questions regarding the league or to register your team, please contact 463-6714.

UHS | BOYS' BASKETBALL

Ukiah halts skid, stifles Vikings

By ANTHONY DION

The Daily Journal

The Ukiah JV boys basketball team improved to 16-4 overall and 7-2 in the North Bay League (NBL) with a convincing 61-48 win on Montgomery's home floor, sweeping the season series.

The Wildcats came ready to play. The first quarter was played up-tempo with your face defense resulting in a 14-12 Ukiah lead.

Ukiah then stretched its lead to double figures in the second quarter to 34-20 at half. Chris Tow, Scott Ragan and Jesse Williams who returned from his suspension had eight points each at the intermission.

In the second half, Montgomery tried to cut the lead to single digits, but a big basket by Austin Ryan and Williams' nine third quarter points staved off the Vikings rally.

The Wildcats were able to keep a double-digit lead throughout the fourth quarter, continuing to apply aggressive defensive pressure.

Williams had an outstanding game to lead the Wildcats in the huge win. He had 19 points and 17 boards while

Ragan supported him with 10 points of his own. Tow also added 10 and Tyler Mendoza had nine.

The great effort enabled the Cats to rebound from two straight losses, their first losing skid of the season and begin its climb back to the top of the NBL standings.

Ukiah also continued to shoot extremely well from the free-throw line, going 10 of 14.

Coach Jeff Silva-Brown spoke glowingly of his team's effort, "That was one of the best defensive efforts I've seen in my years of coaching. Our defensive intensity was exemplified by Daniel Damien.

"When we shut teams down on the defensive end like that we're tough to beat."

They certainly are with the offensive talent that they have.

Ukiah returns home on Saturday to take on Maria Carrillo at Mendocino College. The Pumas are one of the two teams (along with Cardinal Newman) that the Wildcats are contending with for the league title so Saturday's game



Ukiah Wildcats' junior-varsity guard Tyler Mendoza goes up for a fast break lay-in as teammate Jesse Williams (44) trails on the play. Mendoza had nine points in the 61-48 win over the Montgomery Vikings. The win stopped the Cats two-game losing skid.

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NFL | RAIDERS

Raiders deny report that team asked Kiffin to resign

By JOSH DUBOW

Associated Press

ALAMEDA — The Oakland Raiders denied a report Friday that owner Al Davis asked coach Lane Kiffin to resign.

ESPN, citing unidentified sources, reported that Davis drew up a resignation letter for Kiffin two weeks ago, but the coach refused to sign it. Kiffin has two years left on the contract he signed last January.

"There is no issue here," Raiders senior executive John Herrera said. "There was never an issue here. There's

nothing to it."

Kiffin declined to address the report when asked about it by ESPN at the Senior Bowl in Mobile, Ala.

"I'm not going to comment on anything that has transpired in the past three weeks," said Kiffin, who is coaching the North team in the college all-star game.

Speculation about Kiffin's status began three weeks ago after reports surfaced following the season that he wanted to fire defensive coordinator Rob Ryan. The Raiders dismissed those reports and announced that Ryan was

staying on as coordinator.

Kiffin told reporters at the Senior Bowl earlier in the week that his relationship with Ryan "is not an issue."

Kiffin is scheduled to interview former San Diego Chargers receivers coach James Lofton on Monday for a potential job on the Raiders' staff, Herrera said.

Lofton, who was fired earlier this week by San Diego, interviewed for the head coaching job in Oakland the previous two years. Lofton lost out to Art Shell in 2006 and to Kiffin last year.

Kiffin, 32, was the youngest man to coach a game

in the NFL since Harland Svare took over the Los Angeles Rams as a 31-year old in 1962. He overhauled almost the entire coaching staff after he arrived, hiring 14 new assistants.

The team went 4-12 in his first season in Oakland, doubling the team's win total from the previous year and showing signs of improvement in many areas.

But the defense under Ryan struggled despite returning all 11 starters as well as some key reserves from a unit that allowed the fewest yards passing and third fewest total yards in the league in 2006.

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Boozer's good shooting leads Jazz past Kings

By DOUG ALDEN

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Carlos Boozer banged inside for his usual dunks and layups and even stepped outside for a few long jumpers.

It didn't matter where he was. Almost everything Boozer put up went through the hoop as he led the Utah Jazz to a 127-113 win over the Sacramento Kings on Friday.

"I tried to get layups first," said Boozer, who made his first 13 shots and finished with 33 points. "The net seemed huge to me, so when you go out there shooting jump shots you feel comfortable already."

Boozer finished 15-for-19. He was perfect until the last second of the third quarter and his shooting overshadowed a pretty good night by teammates Andrei Kirilenko and Deron Williams.

Kirilenko had 25 points, six rebounds, six assists and four blocks and Williams had 16 points and 14 assists for the Jazz, who won for the seventh time in eight games.

"We didn't do anything special. We just shoot in like different kinds of sets," said Kirilenko, who was 6-for-8.

In addition to Utah's eighth straight win at home, Jazz fans got a bonus when Sacramento's Ron Artest was kicked out with two technical fouls in the fourth quarter. Fans booed Artest most of the night and cheered loudly when he was finally ejected.

As the Jazz fans cheered, each of the Kings slapped Artest's hand on his way to the locker room.

"Ron was out there fighting for everybody," Mike Bibby said. "He was being physical back and they made him pay for it."

The Jazz haven't won — or even tied — a season series against Sacramento since 2000. Friday's win gave Utah a 2-1 edge with one game remaining, so the worst the Jazz can do is tie.

Kevin Martin scored 32 points, making all 15 of his free throws, and Artest had 15 points and eight rebounds for the Kings.

Artest missed the first meeting of the season with Utah because of a league suspension he was serving in November. Utah fans made up for the lost chance at booing Artest, who seemed to relish the negative attention as much as the fans enjoyed giving it.

But he did start to show some frustration early in the fourth quarter and the Kings fell apart from there.

Matt Harpring tied up Artest under the basket and Artest flailed his arms wildly to get free. It happened again less than a minute later near the top of the key, and this time after breaking free of the armlock, Artest tried to get in Harpring's face.

Harpring looked away and the officials got in between before anything could happen. Harpring was called for a foul and Artest got a technical after the officials called both coaches to midcourt for a conference.

"If he wants to play that way, he's just going to ruin his game. That's what he did," Harpring said. "If he tried to bully me or scare me, it's not going to happen."

The Kings never recovered after the technicals.

"As much as I dislike it from this end, I appreciate that Harpring goes out there and gives up a couple of hard fouls," Sacramento coach Reggie Theus said. "That's the way the game should be played."

Kyle Korver made the technical free throw to give Utah a 106-93 lead. Later in the fourth, Harpring was called for an offensive foul and this time Martin started to go after him. Theus was called for a technical on that play and Korver hit the free throw again.

MENDOCINO | MENS' BASKETBALL

Eagles fall to Comets

By ANTHONY DION

The Daily Journal

Smothering man-to-man defense and dominant post play carried Contra Costa past the Mendocino Eagles on Friday night, 84-74.

With No. 42 Orlando Arnold absolutely manhandling Eagles' defenders in the paint, the Comets controlled the glass and utilized an efficient transition game to overwhelm the Mendocino men.

The Eagles got out to a fast start, opening up the first half with a quick 6-0 run which turned into a 9-3 early lead. Contra, however, worked their back into it quickly, buoyed by that aggressive man-to-man defense garnering quick steals which their transition game turned into quick points.

At the 11:54 mark, Contra Costa closed to 12-11. It was 16 all just under 10 minutes when the Comets stepped on the gas and never looked back.

While Arnold held down the interior for the Comets, it was Kellis Love -- who provided a game-high 19 points in the win -- on the outside who was just too quick and athletic for any of the Eagles' defenders.

Contra Costa would go on a 21-10 run from there, getting up by as many as 11 points, before closing the half with a 37-28 lead.

As the teams took the court in the second half, the Comets continued from where they left off, fast-breaking the Eagles to death.

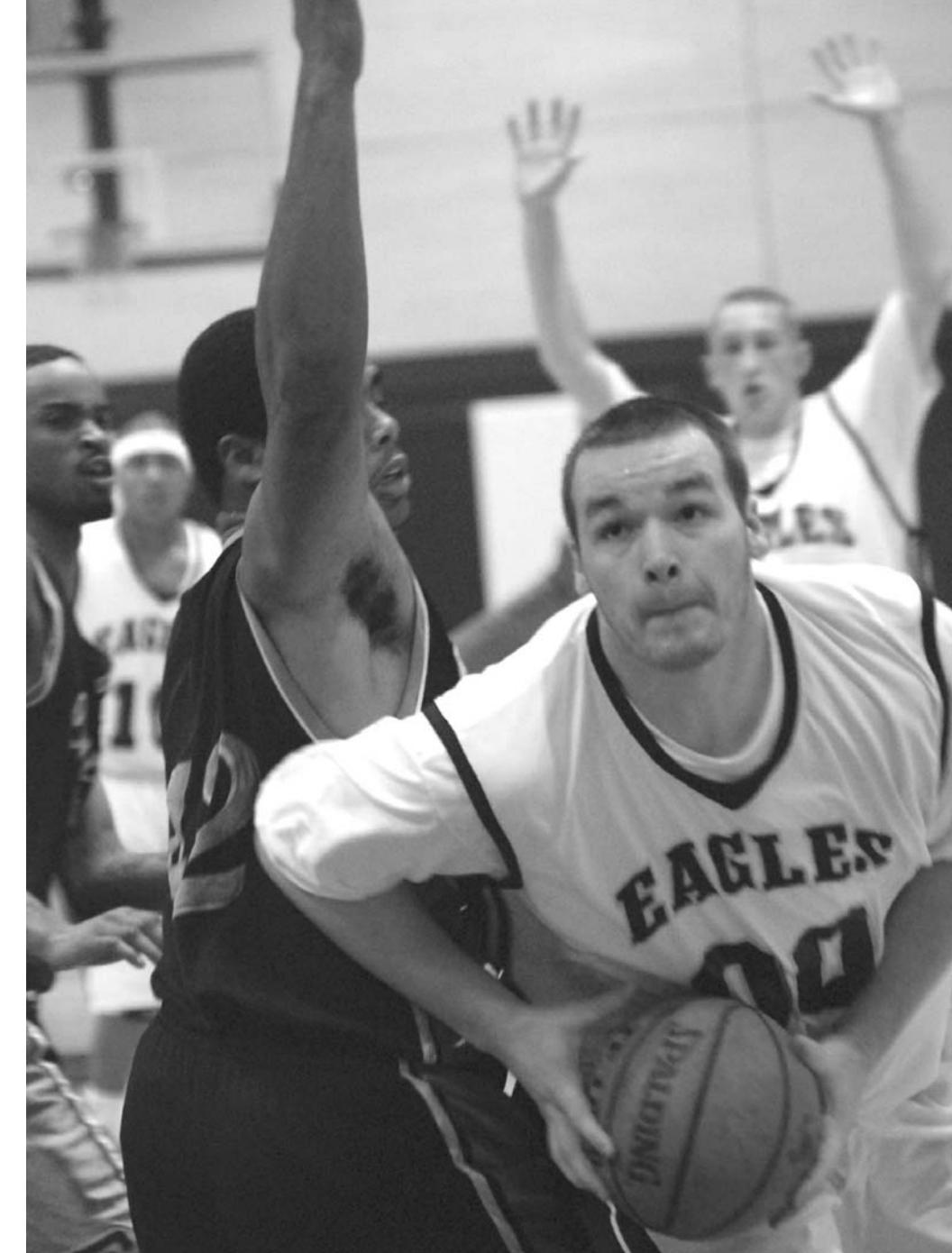
Their lead grew to 15 points in under two minutes of play at 43-28.

Looking for answers, Mendocino pulled out the full-court press and it produced two quick turnovers as the Eagles cut the lead nine with 14:39 to play.

With the Comets on their heels a bit, the Eagles continued to take advantage of the newfound momentum on their side. Jordan Monroe drilled two consecutive three's sending Mendocino on an 11-0 run, cutting the deficit to just six points.

Contra Costa wasn't having any of that, though.

Just as quickly as Mendo brought it down to six, the Comets stretched their lead



MacLeod Pappas/The Daily Journal
Mendocino forward Josh Gipson sets up for the layup Friday against Contra Costa.

back out to 12, 55-43 with 8:53 left.

From there it was all Arnold on the low block. Unbelievably Mendocino coach Kevin Koch pulled Josh Gipson out of the game, taking away the most effective defender on Arnold, allowing the big man to just go to work.

And that's just what the big man did.

With Arnold doing work inside, the Comets extended their lead to 16 points with just 5:22 to play.

A couple of Mendo desperation runs of 10-2 and 6-0 got the crowd back into it, but desperation fuels a team for only so long and in this case it was approximately 2 minutes and 24 seconds. The clutch free-throw shooting of Contra

Costa iced the game after a big three-pointer by No. 24 stretched the Comets lead back out to double digits, silencing the crowd.

Leading Mendo in the loss was Canyon Miller with 17 points.

The Eagles travel to Alameda on Wednesday to face Alameda College at 7 p.m.

MENDOCINO | WOMENS' BASKETBALL

Federer's Grand Slam finals run ends with loss to Djokovic

By JOHN PYE

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — Roger Federer is the first to admit he pays a steep price for all his success. One by one, players try to knock him off, and with each match and each victory expectations grow.

"Of course, I've created a monster," he said. "So I know I need to always win every tournament."

For one rare night, the monster was tamed.

Federer lost to Novak Djokovic 7-5, 6-3, 7-6 (5) Friday in the Australian Open semifinals, leaving the top-ranked Swiss one match short of making an 11th consecutive Grand Slam final.

"Winning every other week, you know, lose a set and people say I'm playing bad," Federer said. "So it's my own mistake, I guess."

Djokovic will now play unseeded Frenchman Jo-Wilfried Tsonga on Sunday, setting up one unlikely title match. The women settle their championship Saturday when Maria Sharapova faces Ana Ivanovic.

Djokovic was 1-6 against Federer going into the match, losing most recently in the U.S. Open final. Federer was in his 15th straight Grand Slam semifinal.

"I am just very amazed I coped with the pressure today," Djokovic said. "In the most important moments, I played my best tennis. It's just amazing, indescribable, to beat the No. 1 player of the world, one of the best players this sport has ever had, in straight sets."

Rafael Nadal, the only player to beat Federer in the previous 10 majors, was thumped 6-2, 6-3, 6-2 by Tsonga, whose looks have been likened to Muhammad Ali's and his game with Yannick Noah's.

Djokovic, seeded third, will be a big favorite Sunday after making the semifinals at four straight majors and having been to the U.S. Open final. Tsonga is in his fifth Grand Slam and past the fourth round for the first time.

Djokovic said he drew on his experience in his U.S. Open final loss to Federer, knowing the pressure was mounting on his rival after such an impen-

titious run.

"As one of the top players in the world, you always have a lot of expectations and a lot of pressure on your back," Djokovic said. "He's a special case because he's expected to win everywhere he goes on any surface."

Djokovic went out with the same intent against Federer that Tsonga had against Nadal. The loss for Nadal was his worst since the 2004 U.S. Open — Federer's was his worst since the 2004 French Open.

Federer had the chance to serve for the first set at 5-3, but missed. His missed some touch volleys and he missed some forehands that usually are his trademark.

Djokovic broke twice to win that set and twice more to get to 5-1 in the second in a 11-game sequence that changed the match.

"I was able to deal with the pressure in the best possible way. And if you do that against the best player in the world, you should get the positive outcome," Djokovic said. "I'm very happy that in crucial moments my serve was serving me, and it was probably my best element in the game."

The 20-year-old Serb said it's important for tennis to shake things up.

"The dominance of Federer and Nadal was just amazing the last couple of years," he said. "So I think it's great for tennis lovers all around the world to see something new."

Federer's last straight-sets losses at the Australian Open were in the first rounds in both 2000 and 2001 to Arnaud Clement. Clement and fellow Frenchman Michael Llodra are in the doubles final Saturday against Israelis Jonathan Erlich and Andy Ram.

That doubles final follows the women's championship between No. 5 Sharapova and No. 4 Ivanovic, Djokovic's Serbian compatriot.

Sharapova, who lost last year's final 6-1, 6-2 to Serena Williams, is favored to win a third Grand Slam title. She has not dropped a set in six wins, including a quarterfinal victory that ended top-ranked Justine Henin's 32-match winning streak and a semifinal against No. 3

Jelena Jankovic.

Ivanovic is in her second final in four majors after a three-set win over Daniela Hantuchova, when she rallied after losing the first eight games.

The women's doubles champions were crowned Friday when Ukrainian sisters Alona and Kateryna Bondarenko downed Victoria Azarenka and Shahar Peer a 2-6, 6-1, 6-4.

Federer had been seeking his third consecutive Australian title. A victory would have pulled him within one championship of Pete Sampras' record of 14 majors.

His preparation was hampered by a stomach illness that forced him out of his regular tuneup at the Kooyong exhibition event, and he never appeared at his authoritative best.

He was taken to 10-8 in the fifth set but was able to survive the third round over another Serb, Janko Tipsarevic.

But Djokovic — 1-6 against Federer coming into the match — never let the Swiss get settled. He reeled off 13 aces and 50 winners and held serve when a break would have changed momentum.

Not holding serve for the first set "cost me the match," Federer said.

"You can't always play your best," Federer said. "I've won, many, many times when I didn't expect myself to win. So tonight is one of those nights where you're a little bit disappointed. But it's going to go over and I'm going to look forward to the rest of the year."

Federer rubbed his eyes frequently and was subdued in his news conference.

"There is no doubt I have played better before," he said.

Djokovic said he knows he's expected to win the final, based on experience and rankings. Tsonga was ranked No. 43 at the end of last year.

"Tsonga is coming up," he said. "He's just an amazing athlete and has been performing some impressive tennis in these two weeks, as I did. I didn't lose even a set here in Australian Open, which is amazing. Obviously, we will not have anything to lose. It's finals, so anything can happen."

Boreal Mountain welcomes college students with special offer

Special to the Daily Journal

Donner Summit -- In the words of Dr. Samuel Johnson, British scholar and author, "All intellectual improvement arises from leisure." Boreal Mountain

Resort understands this, and takes pride in offering college students the perfect balance of work and play this winter season with a Frickin' Friday promotion getting college students and military personnel on the mountain for just \$15 every Friday.

In addition, visitors will get the chance to see some of the area's best skiers and snowboarders, throwing down for some of the freshest gear on the snow at Boreal's Expression Sessions every other Friday throughout the season.

As every college coed eagerly awaits Friday to begin the festivities, cruising up to Donner Summit to get some shredding in is quickly becoming a favorite way to kick off a great weekend.

As hundreds of college students and military men and women from Sacramento to Reno and everywhere in between flock to Boreal's masterfully crafted terrain park and superpipe, what better way to get the juices flowing than getting down on the slopes with some friends. Cost is \$15 and includes a lift

ticket.

Those looking to score some gear can look forward to Expression Sessions, Boreal's Friday night competition series going on every other Friday all season long.

The first 50 skiers and snowboarders to register have the chance to compete for prizes and gear from over 40 Expression Session sponsors. Featured sponsors include Planet Earth, Smith, Dakine, Thirty Two, Liberty Skis and many more of everyone's favorite brands.

The cameras will be out and the features ready for some of the wildest competitions in Tahoe. Helmets are required and entry fee is just \$5, but be sure to get there early, as competition is tight and numbers limited. See schedule below for more details.

February 1- Halfpipe
February 15- One on One
March 29- Team Battle
March 14- Final Showdown

Boreal offers the closest, most convenient access off Interstate 80 atop Donner Summit, just 90 minutes from Sacramento, 35 minutes from Reno and only six minutes from Truckee. Boreal Mountain Resort offsets 100 percent of its electricity by purchasing green power.

UHS | GIRLS' BASKETBALL
Wildcats routed by Maria Carrillo

By ANTHONY DION

The Daily Journal

One of the better teams in the North Bay League (NBL), the Ukiah Wildcats varsity girls basketball team knew they were in for a tough fight against the undefeated and NBL-leading, Maria Carrillo Pumas on Friday night.

At the conclusion, it proved not to be much of a fight at all as Maria Carrillo showed Ukiah and everyone in attendance just what the standard is for winning the NBL while routing the Lady Cats, 70-39.

Amanda Johnson, bound for Oregon on a full-ride scholarship offer, scored a game-high 20 points while showing great range and excellent shooting ability to lead the Pumas.

The Pumas got off to an excellent start, hitting eight of their first 10 shots on their way out to a 21-3 lead. The 16-0 run was answered by Cassie Baroni's mid-range jumper in the early part of the second quarter.

The Wildcats were simply overwhelmed by Maria Carrillo's defensive pressure and offensive efficiency, having no answer for the Pumas three-point shooting capabilities.

With 2:14 to play, Maria

Carrillo held a 31-10 lead and the game looked to be all but over. Ukiah made a run to end the half in an attempt to make it a little bit more respectable, trailing 34-16 at halftime.

In the third quarter, Ukiah fought hard to cut the lead to 14 but their short burst of momentum was only fleeting as the Pumas took command once again.

In a flash, the score was 44-22 with 4:02 left in the third, soon to be a 25-point lead after consecutive Johnson three's.

Entering the fourth quarter, Maria Carrillo held a 53-27 advantage and both teams emptied their benches with the game out of reach for Ukiah.

For Ukiah, Carrie Reid had 10 points and five rebounds in about 20 minutes of action to lead the way. Emily Houghton added eight points and Ashley Lower had five points and six rebounds.

"They just outplayed us," said a bewildered Ukiah head coach Randy Haralson, "both ends of the floor."

Ukiah will look to put the drubbing behind them as they get ready to play Piner High School on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. on the road.

Vance Sparks Cal Poly to 79-67 Victory Over UC Davis

Special to the Daily Journal

SAN LUIS OBISPO --

Senior forward Dreshawn Vance produced career highs of 19 points and seven dunks as Cal Poly defeated UC Davis 79-67 in a Big West Conference men's basketball game Thursday night before 1,642 in Mott Gym.

Junior guards Chaz Thomas and Trae Clark each added 16 points -- a season high for Thomas -- while sophomore guard Lorenzo Keeler contributed 10 points as the Mustangs snapped a three-game losing streak and improved to 7-11 for the season and 2-4 in Big West games. Cal Poly had lost four of its last five games overall and three of its last four home contests.

UC Davis, officially in the

Big West for the first season,

fell to 8-11 and 2-4. The

Aggies were led by sopho-

more guard Shane Hanson

with 19 points and eight

rebounds.

Cal Poly surpassed the 70-

point mark for the first time

since Nov. 20 when the

Mustangs beat Southern Utah

73-66.

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Cal Poly connected on a

season-high 60 percent of its

floor shots (30 of 50), includ-

ing eight of 16 from three-

point range. UC Davis made

just 43.1 percent of its field

goal attempts (25 of 58).

The Aggies outrebounded

Cal Poly 33-24. Top Mustang

rebounds were Thomas and

senior guard Dawin Whiten,

each with four boards.

Cal Poly turned the ball

over just nine times while

forcing 15 Aggie turnovers.

Junior guard Vince Oliver

scored 12 points for UC Davis

and freshman guard Mark Payne added 11.

Cal Poly plays its next

game Monday at Pacific, a

Big West Conference contest

that starts at 8 p.m. and will be

televised nationally by

ESPN2.

Ukiah's Eaquinto added 11

points and seven rebounds.

"Their zone hurt us," said

Ukiah coach Tim Conrad,

"but we finished strong and

didn't quit. We look forward

to Maria Carrillo at home

Saturday night on Mendocino

College's home floor."

Tip will be at 4:30 p.m.

Freshmen suffer defeat at Vikings hands

Earlier in the day, the

Ukiah freshmen took the

court against the Montgomery

Vikings and came up short,

50-43.

Ukiah ended the defensive-minded first quarter with a 6-5 lead. Montgomery's zone defense certainly frustrated the Cats on the offensive end. In addition, Montgomery's ability to control the glass, generating several second chance opportunities along with the Wildcats' own mental lapses contributed to a lost lead in the second quarter.

The Vikings, thus, held a 21-14 advantage at the break, not to mention all the momentum.

The third quarter was a battle. Ukiah attempted to gain back the momentum and both teams fought valiantly back and forth. However, the Cats' poor execution on the offensive end allowed the Vikings to maintain a 31-22 lead heading into the fourth quarter.

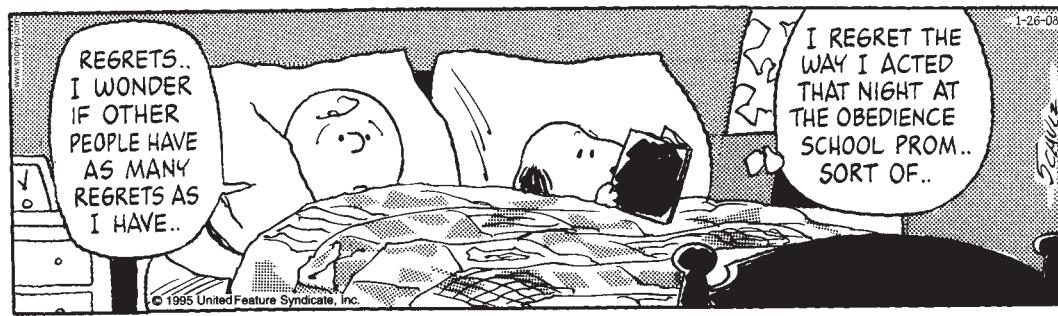
Ukiah managed to cut Montgomery's lead to six in the closing minutes due in large part to the strong inside game of Nate Henry (10 fourth quarter points) and Dominic Eaquinto's perfect 5 of 5 from the charity stripe.

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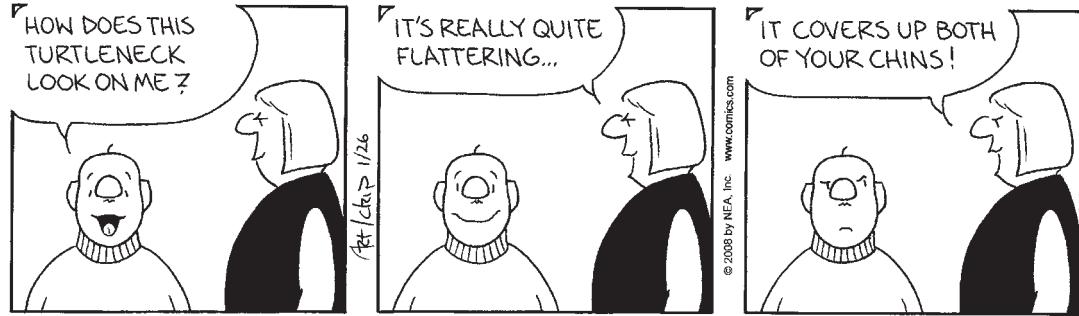
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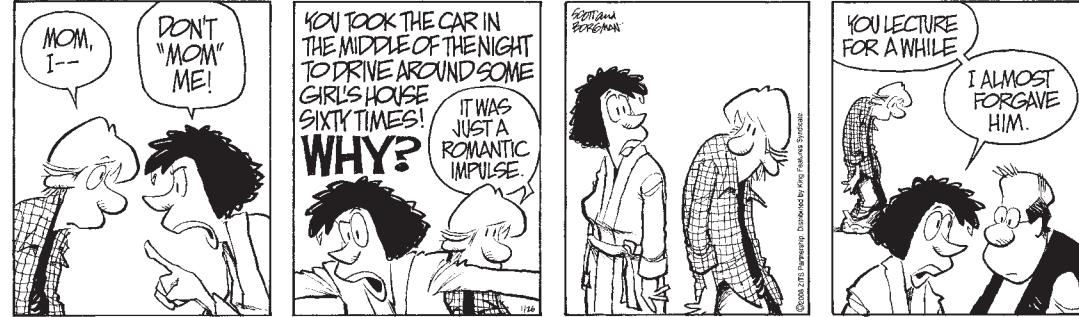
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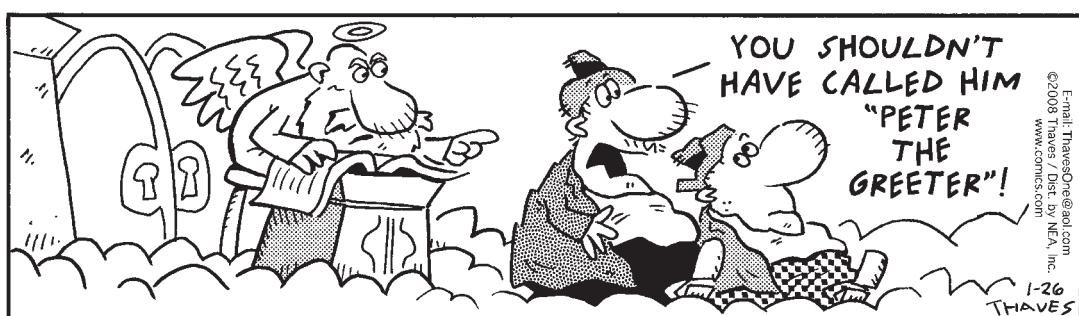
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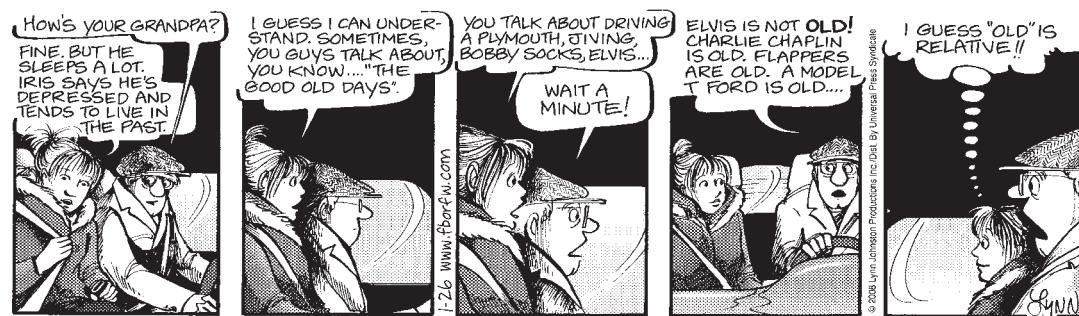
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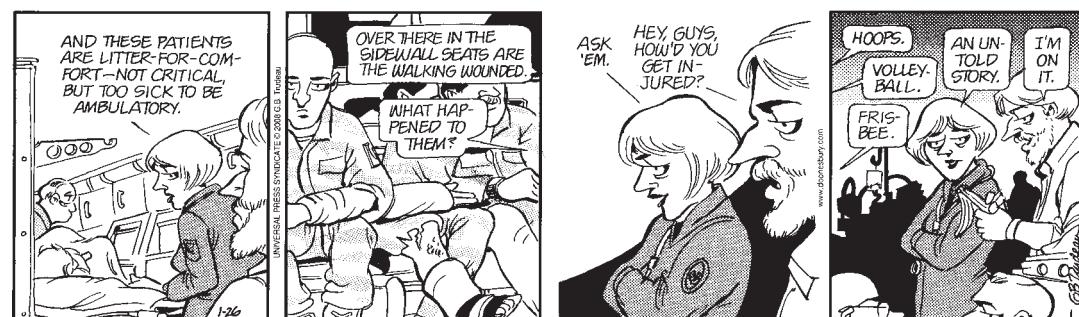
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Datebook: Saturday, Jan. 26, 2008

Today is the 26th day of 2008 and the 36th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1788, the first British ship carrying convicts landed in Australia.

In 1950, the Indian constitution went into effect, marking the birth of the Republic of

India.

In 2005, the U.S. Senate voted to confirm Condoleezza Rice as secretary of state.

In 2006, Western Union discontinued its telegram service.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Douglas MacArthur (1880-1964), soldier; Maria von

Trapp (1905-1987), matriarch of singing family/memoirist; Paul Newman (1925-), actor, is 83; Jules Feiffer (1929-), cartoonist/writer, is 79; Ellen DeGeneres (1958-), TV personality, is 50; Wayne Gretzky (1961-), hockey player, is 47.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1986, Chicago crushed New England, 46-10, in Super Bowl XX, as the Bears mighty defense held the Patriots to seven yards rushing.**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "Rules are mostly made to be broken and are too often for the lazy to hide behind." -- Douglas MacArthur**TODAY'S FACT:** In 1954, future Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke made it into the "Guinness Book of World Records" for finishing 2.5 pints of beer in 11 seconds.**TODAY'S MOON:** Between full moon (Jan. 22) and last quarter (Jan. 30).

ASTROGRAPH

By Bernice Bede Osol



Sunday, Jan. 27, 2008

You will profit in some manner from a project originated by another in the year ahead. Luck will be a major factor in bringing this about, but it will be your contribution of talent that seals the deal.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Be wary of taking

a financial risk that you cannot personally control, because it would put you in the position of having to pay for someone else's mistakes without any chance of recovery for yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Unless you realize that not everyone with whom you have dealings will abide by the same high standards you follow, you could be taken in by a sob story. Don't trip over your own naivete.**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) -- Although you have a sharp eye for detail, it is sometimes difficult for you to see the entire picture. If this should be the case now, take a step back to view the whole scene. Only then can you make corrections.**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) -- If you want to feel as if you've accomplished something, schedule your time so that your responsibilities aren't overshadowed by your pleasurable pursuits. Without doing so, significant time could be wasted.**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) -- Basing your decisions solely on emotional considerations without any concern for logical deliberation is a formula for disaster. Emotions

give you heart, but logic provides the answers for achieving success.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- A project you have decided to tackle might not be as easy to accomplish as your drawing board indicates. However, don't use that as an excuse to scrap the entire endeavor. Seek out some expert advice.**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) -- There is a good chance that you will ignore practical considerations and be financially irresponsible with your shopping. Bankruptcy will emerge victorious if some kind of discipline isn't applied to your spending habits.**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- In order to get your way with someone, you might give

away far more than you should or can handle. Unfortunately, after all is said and done, you'll discover it wasn't worth what you thought it was.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

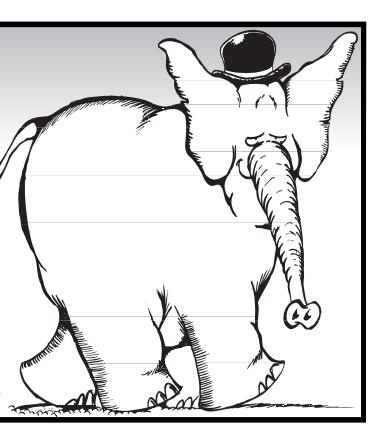
-- It's important to distinguish between what is positive thinking and what is merely wishful thinking. If you adopt the former, it will lead to success; if you choose the latter, it invites failure.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Material opportunities continue to hover about you at this time, but, unfortunately, owing to an indifferent attitude, you will choose to ignore them or not even recognize them for what they are.**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- You know better than most that the only person you can bank on is yourself, yet you'll kid yourself into believing another will competently manage an important project better than you. You will be sorry.**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Usually you are a sensible individual not easily fooled. Yet for reasons known only to you, you will take something you shouldn't at face value without ever thinking about investigating it first.*Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker wheel can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167.*

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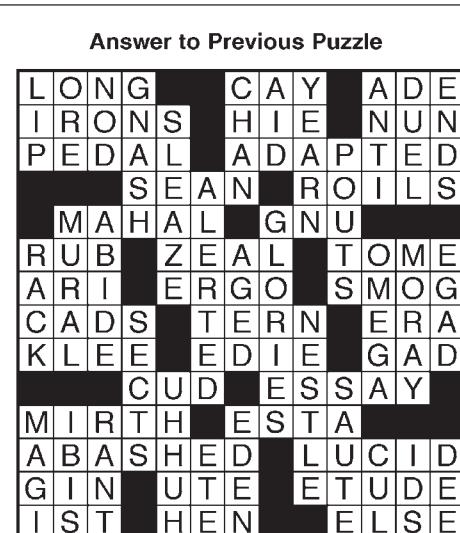
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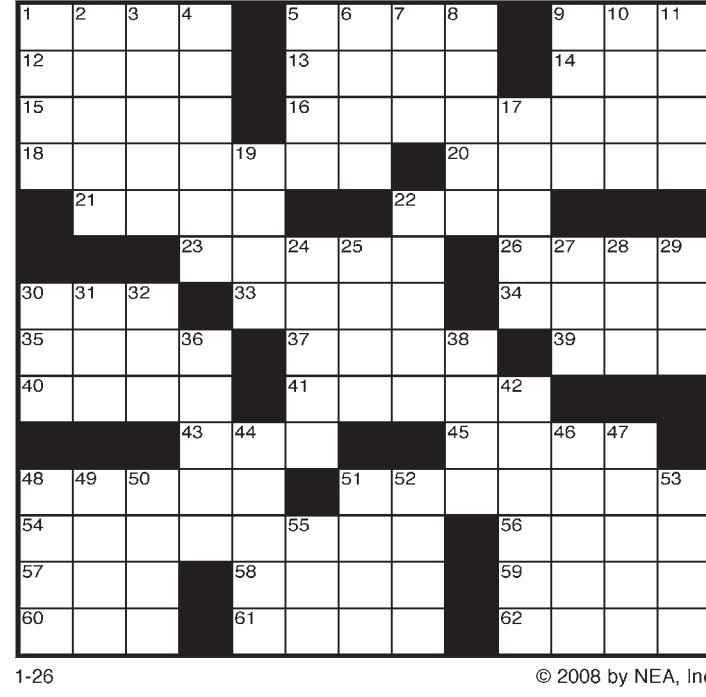
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THE LEARNING CHALLENGER

by Robert Barnett



DIRECTIONS:

- Using each "Chaos Grid" number with its letter one time, arrange the numbers with their letters for the "Order Grid" so each vertical column, horizontal row, and two diagonals each ADD to numbers inside thick lined cells.
- Some correct numbers with their letters have been put into the "Order Grid" to get you started. Also, above the "Order Grid" is a "Decoded Message" clue.
- After you have solved the "Order Grid" doing as direction "A" says, put the letters from horizontal rows, from left to right, under "Decoded Message" and make words to form the answer.

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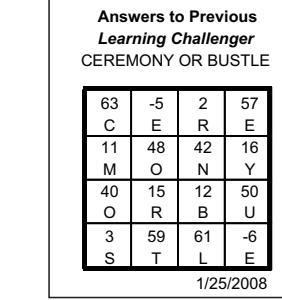
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Answers in Monday Edition

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CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present.

Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: F equals K

"R P G X A P Y : E B X A X W H G X M P G
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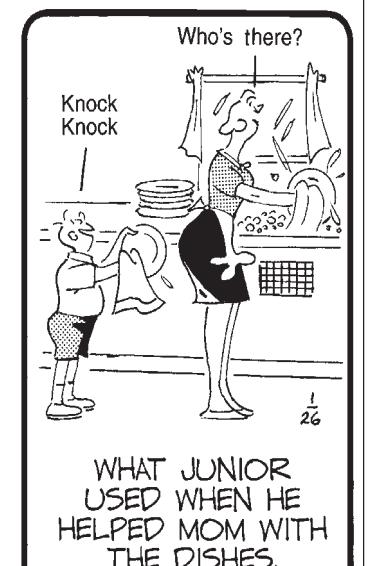
PREVIOUS SOLUTION — "As a teenager I was more of an anarchist, but now I want people to thrive and be harmonious." - Nicolas Cage

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JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: (Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: FLOUT EMERY SUBTLY SEAMAN
Answer: What the horse breeder considered her husband — A "STABLE" MATE

Pregnant woman is considering kicking her husband out

Dear Annie: I am due to give birth to my first child any day and am seriously thinking about asking my husband to move out after I do. "Tom" is lazy, underemployed and self-involved. We've had occasional fights about his lack of participation, but mostly I was content. I was willing to take care of our finances and do nearly all the house and yardwork. But not anymore.

Tom wanted us to have children, but after I got pregnant, I started noticing how little he contributed to our relationship. I've seen how other men treat their pregnant partners, but Tom still spends the vast majority of his paycheck on himself and pursues all his own interests, only pitching in at home when I get very upset.

The final straw came when I was put on bed rest for the remainder of my pregnancy. If I don't get up and do some dishes or laundry, nothing gets done. I realize now that if Tom can't sacrifice some of his personal time to

ANNIE'S MAILBOX

By Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar

help me when I really need it, he isn't likely to be a good father to our child, and he certainly won't be a good example of how a husband should behave.

As much as I'd hate to kick Tom out of my life, I don't think I can handle taking care of a baby and a husband while working full time. I might as well go it alone and at least remove the burden of Tom's care from my plate. Honestly, he's been so uninterested in me and my pregnancy, I'd be amazed if he asked for visitation rights.

Counseling probably won't work, as Tom only attended two of our four Lamaze classes before he got bored and stopped going. Any

advice? -- Better Off Alone in Des Moines

Dear Des Moines: No one has bothered to teach Tom how to be a responsible, hard-working husband and father -- including you. By taking on all the household duties, you have given Tom the impression that his participation is not necessary. Please give him a chance to shape up before you throw him out. Explain how you feel, and insist that he go with you for counseling and, if necessary, parenting classes, as a condition of continuing in the marriage. If he isn't interested, we agree that he's more burden than help.

Dear Annie: Please correct me if I am wrong. When referring to a certain form of dementia, why do the media and others pronounce it "Altimers"? According to Webster's dictionary, the correct pronunciation includes another "s" and is supposed to sound like "Alts'hi'merz." -- Irene in Roanoke, Va.

Dear Irene: You are correct. The disease is named for Alois Alzheimer, the German neurologist and physician who first identified the disease, and in German, the "z" is pronounced "ts." We suspect those who mispronounce it mistakenly believe the disease is named for the people most likely to have it -- "Old Timers."

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "At A Loss," whose brother-in-law sent a raunchy e-mail to his married niece, which has caused a

family estrangement. This really struck a chord.

I've spent 25 years as a computer support person and can suggest a much more likely explanation why "Uncle Peter" sent this inappropriate e-mail -- he accidentally selected the wrong addressee. It's not at all uncommon to be forwarding an item and, while selecting the folks to whom you want to send it, pick the wrong person. This can be especially disastrous if you're sending personal e-mail from a work e-mail account.

I always tell my customers to recheck their "To" list on every e-mail, especially if the letter is at all questionable. And if you're drinking while e-mailing, check it twice. -- BTDT

Dear BTDT: Anyone who has ever sent an e-mail knows how easy it is for it to end up in the wrong mailbox. Thanks for a more forgiving explanation for Uncle Peter's behavior.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the *Ann Landers* column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailboxcomcast.net, or write to: *Annie's Mailbox*, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611. To find out more about *Annie's Mailbox*, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

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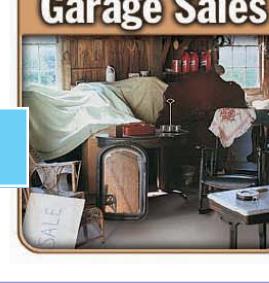
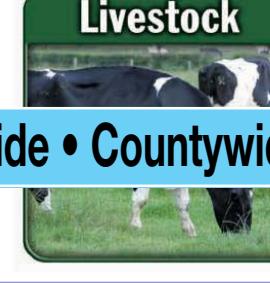
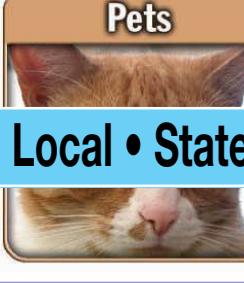
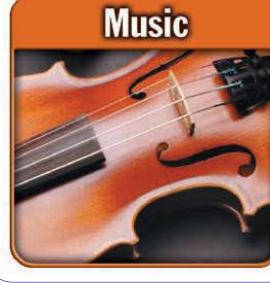
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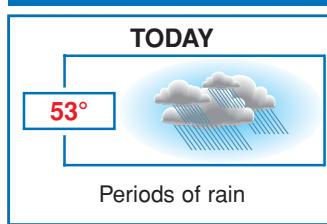
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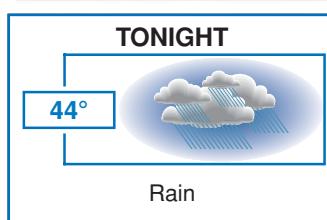
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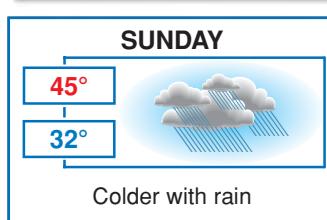
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TONIGHT

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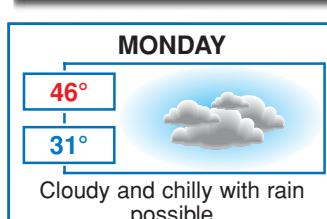


SUNDAY

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32°

Colder with rain possible



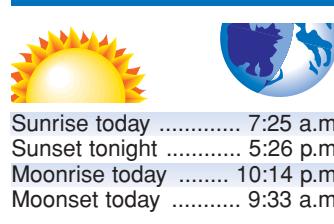
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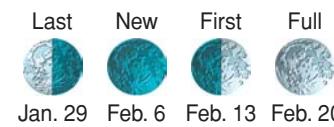
31°

Cloudy and chilly with rain possible

SUN AND MOON



MOON PHASES



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Ukiah through 2 p.m. Friday

Temperature

High	46
Low	43
Normal high	57
Normal low	38
Record high	72 in 1980
Record low	19 in 1949

Precipitation

24 hrs to 2 p.m. Fri.	0.67"
Month to date	7.82"
Normal month to date	6.34"
Season to date	17.45"
Last season to date	10.80"
Normal season to date	20.64"

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City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W
Anaheim	65/50/r	61/44/r	Napa	53/44/r	52/36/r
Antioch	54/43/r	51/36/r	Needles	63/46/pc	63/45/r
Arroyo Grande	62/49/r	55/37/r	Oakland	62/50/r	53/41/r
Atascadero	57/45/r	53/38/r	Ontario	62/50/r	56/43/r
Auburn	52/41/c	48/33/r	Orange	66/49/r	60/42/r
Barstow	55/39/c	54/37/r	Oxnard	65/52/r	56/43/r
Big Sur	58/45/c	52/44/r	Palm Springs	61/45/c	59/44/r
Bishop	48/30/c	45/28/sn	Pasadena	62/48/r	58/41/r
Burbank	64/48/pc	62/44/r	Pomona	63/49/r	58/41/r
California City	60/50/r	53/44/r	Potter Valley	48/39/r	45/32/r
Carpinteria	60/52/r	55/44/r	Redding	49/41/r	43/32/r
Catalina	60/50/r	56/42/r	Riverside	62/49/c	59/41/r
Chico	51/41/r	48/36/r	Sacramento	54/44/c	53/38/r
Crescent City	52/42/r	46/35/r	Salinas	58/46/c	52/39/r
Death Valley	63/42/c	66/36/r	San Bernardino	63/46/c	58/41/r
Downey	65/51/r	60/46/r	San Diego	67/53/r	59/50/r
Encinitas	65/53/r	60/46/r	San Fernando	59/46/r	54/43/r
Escondido	66/49/r	61/44/r	San Francisco	58/51/r	53/42/r
Eureka	56/42/r	44/34/r	San Jose	58/47/r	55/38/r
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Fresno	59/46/c	54/42/r	San Rafael	54/45/r	51/37/r
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Hollywood	63/49/r	57/45/r	Santa Monica	66/52/r	58/47/r
Lake Arrowhead	47/37/c	38/29/r	Santa Rosa	51/43/r	47/34/r
Lodi	54/45/c	53/37/r	S. Lake Tahoe	38/30/c	37/15/sn
Lompoc	69/49/r	54/41/r	Stockton	54/45/c	52/36/r
Long Beach	63/51/r	57/47/r	Tahoe Valley	38/31/c	32/15/sn
Los Angeles	65/52/r	58/45/r	Torrance	65/50/r	59/47/r
Mammoth	38/23/c	31/23/sn	Vacaville	54/46/r	52/37/r
Marysville	53/43/r	51/36/r	Vallejo	54/46/r	51/36/r
Modesto	56/46/c	54/38/r	Van Nuys	62/49/r	55/43/r
Monrovia	62/48/r	57/44/r	Visalia	55/46/c	50/40/r
Monterey	58/48/c	57/43/r	Willits	47/37/r	43/30/r
Morro Bay	64/48/r	57/44/r	Yosemite Valley	46/31/c	40/28/r
			Yreka	42/33/c	38/23/sn

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Lake Mendocino – Lake level: 727.83 feet; Storage: 52,928 acre-feet (Maximum storage 122,500 acre-feet) Inflow: 3,420 cfs Outflow: 67 cfs
Air quality – Ozone: .031 ppm (State standard .090 ppm) Carbon monoxide: .48 ppm (20.0 ppm) Nitrogen dioxide: .016 ppm (.25 ppm)

Explorers

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Chapman remembers that presentation well; it was the reason she joined up.

"I decided it looked like it would be a lot of fun," she said.

Some of the new members saw the presentation and joined, and the rest were recruited through word-of-mouth. They all seem to have had a friend who is, or was, once involved, who encouraged them to join.

Armstrong is now on his way out of the program. Soon he will turn 18 and already he is taking the paramedic training and is hoping for a job as a summer wildland firefighter with CalFire.

Armstrong has been Explorer of the Year twice, and last year he went to the Explorer Academy in Butte County, where he had a chance to fight live fires and work on car rescues.

"Last year was the first year we have sent anybody," Corippo said.

While not everyone who joins the Explorers will choose a career in emergency response, since 1992 14 members of the Explorer program have gone on to become paid firefighters.

Armstrong may go that way too, but whatever the future holds he can know that he leaves the Explorer Program in good hands.

Ben Brown can be reached at udbb@pacific.net.

Laid-off

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• Applications for food stamps, MediCal and CMSP may be done through the mail-in process by calling the toll-free number at (877) 327-1711 ext. 7888.

• Applications for cash assistance from either CalWORKS or General Assistance need to be done in person at Social Services. The Ukiah branch is located at 737 S. State St. and the Fort Bragg office's address is 825 S. Franklin St. Office hours for both locations are 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

• Mendocino Private Industry Council provides assessments, job training and supportive services. The Ukiah

branch is located at 631 S. Orchard Ave. and can be reached at 468-5900. The Willits branch is located at 221 S. Lenore Ave. and can be reached at 456-3760. The Fort Bragg branch is located at 310 E. Redwood Ave. and can be reached at 962-1001.

• Healthy Kids Mendocino provides application assistance for medical and dental health insurance through Healthy Families, MediCal and CalKids for children age 19 and below regardless of immigration status.

The organization can be reached in person at 1120 S. Dora St. in Ukiah, by phone 463-5437 and online at www.healthykidsmendocino.org.

• Willits Community Services provides assistance with food, shelter and utility assistance. The organization can be reached in person at 229

E. San Francisco St. in Willits or by phone at 459-3333.

• Safe Passages in Fort Bragg provides referrals to the agencies or organizations that can assist with clothing, food, shelter and utilities. It can be reached at 964-3077. It also can provide parenting classes and support for families in crisis.

• Coast Community Center in Fort Bragg provides application assistance and referrals to

other agencies and organizations for shelter, food and utilities and can be reached by phone at 961-6363.

• Family Connections is a program that works collaboratively with multiple agencies and organizations that provide assistance and support to families facing difficulties in their lives. Offices are co-located with Social Services in Ukiah, Fort Bragg and Willits.

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